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Newhouse: 'It's been an honor'

TWO OPEN SEATS. LET THE FREE-FOR-ALL BEGIN!

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WILMINGTON - In a statement to the press Tuesday, six-term selectman Mike Newhouse announced that he will not seek reelection to the Board in April, citing family and professional obligations as the basis for his decision.

"Like all families," Newhouse said, "We have our own unique circumstances that require attention, and at this time, my responsibilities both at home and at a law practice I maintain in order to support our family, make it increasingly difficult to spend the time it takes to be an effective Selectman."

When asked to reflect on his tenure on the Board, Newhouse

said, "It's been an honor and a privilege to serve the residents of Wilmington, in one capacity or another, since 1996. I am proud to be a small part of so many successful initiatives in Town, and I am grateful to have gotten the chance to work with so many dedicated and talented people through the years. More than anything, I will always remember how supportive my entire family has been for the past 20 years, and especially my wife, Jo."

Newhouse's announcement follows a simi-

lar one made last week by his colleague and friend, Lou Cimaglia, and the prospect of filling Cimaglia's seat has already led a field of four candidates to pull nomination papers.

"Every three years, the decision whether to run for re-election is an important and difficult one to make," said Newhouse. "But seeing that very capable candidates are ready and willing to fill the vacant seats makes the decision a little easier this time

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Stoneham	190	197
Wakefield	256	242
Winchester	231	266
Woburn	264	337
Lynnfield	171	163
Tewksbury	283	294
Wilmington	263	245
No. Reading	173	174

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Town throws dog owners a bone

Dog Park aims to open this summer

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WILMINGTON - Watching Fido run free, off leash, is a luxury few dog owners can accommodate, even with a spacious, fenced-in yard. Coming this summer, though, Town Manager Jeff Hull announced a dog park will open on a half-acre parcel adjacent to Town Park off Rt 38.

The Dog Park is one of a handful of key projects identified by Hull in his FY17 budget presentation to the Board of Selectmen Monday night. Other projects included the Facilities Master Plan, the Yentile project, Substance Abuse Prevention and Support, and Fun on the Fourth. The projects are part of the \$104,326,543 proposed budget.

Hull noted that during the design process for the Yentile Farm project, Selectman Judy O'Connell and the Yentile Farm Development Committee conducted public outreach for recreational opportunities residents wanted to see. A dog park was a popular element, however it did not fit well with the other components of the Yentile project.

Leaders sought out an alternative site for a dog park, settling on a ½ acre parcel of Town Park, south of the parking lot, which will be cleared and fenced-in. Residents will be able to let their dogs roam off-leash inside the park.

Hull estimates that the project will cost \$35,000 and will be funded from the Recreation Revolving fund. The Recreation Commission is researching dog parks in other communities and will be developing rules for this park, which he expects to open over the summer.

On other key projects

Hull also proposed \$25,000 to help "support efforts for a July 4th celebration," citing efforts to return Fun on the Fourth to the Town Common. The funding, which will appear before voters at Town Meeting, may help address concerns of some neighbors who are concerned about the impacts on their property. The Fourth of July Committee has offered to reduce the number of rides, adjust the hours of operation, and increase the number of police detail officers on the site. Notably, the Board of Appeals has yet to grant a special permit for the carnival.

This year the town also aims to adopt a Facility Master Plan. Presently in the information gathering phase, and expected to be complete by December 2016, a joint committee comprised of the Permanent Building Committee, School Department, Planning Department, and the Town Manager's office is overseeing the process. Public input will be collected later, likely through a survey. The Cecil Group will develop multiple options for utilization, sequencing, and disposition of town-owned property and buildings. A draft report will be created by the fall of 2016, following input from a variety of town boards and committees, and will be completed by December.

The Yentile Farm project, which has been through the design phase, will begin construction in the spring of 2016 with an estimated construction cost of \$4.8M. The project, which will open in late 2016 or early 2017, will increase the park and field greenspace by nine acres. The project includes an artificial turf field, a large playground area, an event green, walking paths, and basketball/street hockey courts. The budget also includes two new part-time (not eligible for benefits) positions for Parks and Grounds

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Several of the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce members got a quick lesson and were let loose on the track to celebrate the opening of K-1 Speed last Wednesday night. No injuries were reported!
photo: BruceHilliard.com

Superintendent DeLai Lays Out 2017 Budget

Schools get 4% Increase

By BRENDAN FOLEY

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WILMINGTON- In a recent school committee meeting, Superintendent Mary DeLai revealed her recommendation for the school budget for fiscal year 2017. The recommended budget totaled \$37,645,468.

DeLai's proposed budget would see an increase of \$1,447,910, a 4 percent increase from the previous year.

According to DeLai, initial estimates for the budget following requests from school staff and administrators would have increased the budget by 5.75 percent. Town and school officials worked with those requests to arrive at the 4 percent increase

now proposed.

In a breakdown of the proposed budget, DeLai explained that the budget has several key drivers, including \$1,085,090 for salaries and other compensations for district employees, \$125,336 for contract services, and \$265,394 for other expenses.

Last year's budget also saw an escalation of 4 percent in the school system's budget. In her presentation, DeLai stated that 89 percent of the increase is for the contractual step, lane and cost of living increases that were collective bargained with local unions.

DeLai's recommended budget was heavily influenced by the assumption that the full-day kindergarten grant will be halved in the

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Don't miss your chance

Register to vote

WILMINGTON - Town Clerk Sharon George announced Monday that the last day to register to vote in the March 1, 2016 Presidential Primary is Wednesday, February 10, 2016.

The Clerk's office will be open until 8:00p.m. for voter registration and Passports.

Residents may register to vote online at www.registertovote.com or download a voter registration application at [ma.gov. Please make sure the form is completely filled out. Please refer to \[travel.state.gov\]\(http://travel.state.gov\) for information or call the Clerk's office at 978-658-2030.](http://www.wilmington-</p>
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Absentee Ballots:

The Clerk's office now has the ballots for the Presidential Primary. Those voters who will be out of town and wish to vote in person may do so until Monday, February 29, 2016 until 12:00 noon.

Wilmington man killed in motorcycle accident

WOBURN - A Wilmington man, Steven Hughson, was killed after his motorcycle crashed into the back of a van parked on Border Street in the South End of Woburn, at the Winchester line, late Monday night.

The victim was a 25-year-old man who had been living in the central part of the state, according to Woburn Police Chief Robert Ferullo.

There was no one else involved in the accident, which occurred shortly before midnight. According to Ferullo, the victim was driving his motorcycle on Border Street, off Main Street, when the vehicle crashed into the back of a van parked on the side of the

road.

The driver was initially transported to Winchester Hospital, but due to the severity of his injuries was taken to Lahey Hospital & Medical Center, where he died.

The accident remains under investigation by Woburn Police and the State Police Collision Analysis and Reconstruction Section. Ferullo said initial indications are that speed and the victim's unfamiliarity with the area may have been factors in the accident. There were no skid marks leading to the van.

Woburn officers Ian Hunt, Michael Pacheco and Sgt. Paul Carpenter investigated.



Relay for Life kickoff

The American Cancer Society's Laura Perrigo, Michael Golden, Donna Laquidara, Kaitlyn Riley, Julie Rauseo, and Audrey Curdo, joined by two very cute young ladies from Wilmington, Allison and Samantha Bolanos.

Photo: BruceHilliard.com

Wilmington Relay for Life Kicks Off

Wilmington, MA - January 11, 2016 -- The American Cancer Society Relay For Life of Wilmington held their kickoff for the annual event on Wednesday, January 27, 2016 from 6:30-8:00 p.m. at the Ninety Nine Restaurant, 144 Lowell St, Wilmington.

The kickoff program consisted of a fundraiser at the restaurant from 4:00-11:00 p.m. where 15% of sales with flyer will be donated to Relay For Life of Wilmington. The lobby of the 99 Restaurant in Wilmington was full of people taking the opportunity to ask questions of the Leadership

Team, pick up any materials they may need including the meeting schedules, and register a team for the Relay For Life event, which will be held June 17-18 at Wilmington High School.

Relay For Life is a non-competitive, community event where teams and individuals camp out at a school, park, or fairground and take turns walking or running around a track or path. Each team has at least one participant on the track at all times and participates in fundraising that supports the American Cancer Society's mission to save lives and

finish the fight against cancer. Four million people participated in more than 6,000 events worldwide in 2015. Last year, over 230 people participated in the Relay For Life of Wilmington, with an additional 100 people visiting day of, and raised \$75,227.

Visit: relayforlife.org/WilmingtonMA to learn more about the program. Additionally, you may contact Julie Rauseo at 781.314.2668 or Julie.Rauseo@cancer.org for more information.



Jackie Reberio is the winner of the Sweet and Spicy chili cook off held at the Knights of Columbus last Friday evening.

Photo by Maureen Brady

Registry makes strides on improved service to seniors

By LISA KENNEDY-COX
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WILMINGTON - In a January 28, 2016 press release, the Baker-Polito Administration's Department of Transportation and Registry of Motor Vehicles announced the launch of the 'RMV Near Me' program, a pilot partnership with statewide Councils on Aging.

The program aims to provide additional service locations at which senior citizens can receive assistance processing routine Registry transactions online. The program is the latest in a series of initiatives designed to improve customer service at the Registry by offering alternative service solutions.

"The 'RMV Near Me' program is another great example of the Administration's commitment to identifying new, creative ways to improve customer service at the Registry of Motor Vehicles," said Governor Charlie Baker. "We are pleased to be partnering with Councils on Aging across the Commonwealth to provide opportunities for our seniors to receive assistance with processing online Registry transactions."

"Providing a positive customer service experience for all Registry customers is at the forefront of our agenda," said Registrar of Motor Vehicles Erin Deveney. "When we sat down to think about alternative service solutions to bring our business to our customers, we saw that the



Seniors can skip this line with new RMV service conveniently offered at the Senior Center.

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answer was simple but innovative- ask our existing, long term partners to help. The RMV is grateful to the Councils on Aging that have made 'RMV Near Me' a success and we look forward to training others in the very near future."

To date, approximately 60 Councils on Aging, including Wilmington, are participating in the program, where Council staff have been trained by RMV staff, and are now able to assist residents with conducting online transactions in addition to helping to locate important RMV forms, documents, and resources online.

For Wilmington, the process is still being fine tuned according to Elderly Services Director Terry Marciello. "We're still working a few things out, so that everyone will understand how it works," Marciello told the Crier.

Examples of several RMV transactions that can be processed at COA locations include: 1) renewing Massachusetts driver's

licenses online if the resident is younger than 75, and 2) renewing a motor vehicle registration without having to visit the local RMV branch.

Over the last year, the RMV has been increasing the use of existing alternative service channels, increasing RMV staff performance measured by improving accountability and customer treatment, and improving customer wait through the use of dual queuing methods that have eliminated hidden wait times at participating branches. The RMV has also redesigned MassRMV.com to be more customer friendly and improving outreach capabilities to increase online use.

The partnership with the Councils on Aging follows an RMV partnership with 12 AAA offices throughout the Commonwealth offering Registry services for members. For a complete list of transactions, visit southernnewengland.aaa.com. The RMV reminds cus-

tomers that the best place to do business is at their online branch as it offers more than 20 transactions you can complete online at www.massrmv.com. For the latest RMV news follow Twitter @MassRMV #skipheline.

Wilmington is one of several participating Councils on Aging. Others include Adams, Amesbury, Athol, Bellingham, Blackstone, Blackstone, Brewster, Blandford, Brockton, Brimfield, Chester, Clinton, Dartmouth, East Longmeadow, Easthampton, Erving, Framingham, Gardner, Gloucester, Great Barrington, Hamilton, Holden, Huntington, Lawrence, Littleton, Longmeadow, Merrimack, Methuen, Middlebury, Middleton, Millbury, Monson, New Bedford, Newton, Nahant, Peabody, Pembroke, Pittsfield, Plymouth, Rowley, Russell, Scituate, Sharon, Sheffield, Spencer, Taunton, Wakefield, Wales, West Boylston, Westford, Winchendon, and Woburn.

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Now comes a new wrinkle that may become an issue when gay couples consider marriage: an appellate court has decided that the limits are on a per-taxpayer basis, rather than a per-residence basis. An unmarried couple in California bought expensive real estate together. After the IRS and the Tax Court said no, the appellate court determined that they could each deduct interest on a \$1 million acquisition debt and on home equity debt up to \$100,000.

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In photo: The Wine Room found in the Private Dining Room, enjoy!

Photo: BruceHilliard.com

48th Annual ...

Wilmington Good Guy Nominations

So what are you doing on Friday May 13th? How about nominating the right person and joining us to celebrate the Induction of the 2016 Wilmington Good Guy? Nominations are now being accepted for this year's recipient. Every year, many deserving locals are nominated, but only one can be elected.

There are dozens of well-deserving members of our Community, and many have been nominated multiple

times. All they need are a voice, or two or three to champion their cause for being considered. Tell us about this very special person!

This 48th Annual event is designed to honor that person, male or female, who goes beyond the normal call of duty to make our Community a better place in which to live. A person's work performed as an elected official or through a paid employment position is not

eligible for this award.

Nomination Deadline is Friday March 25th, 2016.

Postal nominations can be sent to The Good Guy Committee, c/o Bob DiPalma, 12 Harold Ave. Wilmington, MA 01887, or by email to wgoodguy@verizon.net

We hope to see you and your Nominee at the Wilmington Knights of Columbus on Friday May 13th!

Odds and Ends

Super snacking

How many chicken wings is that?

Americans will consume a record 1.3 billion chicken wings on Super Bowl Sunday, reports the Association of Mature American Citizens.

The National Chicken Council, which keeps track of fowl doings, says that's some 162.5 million pounds of wings.

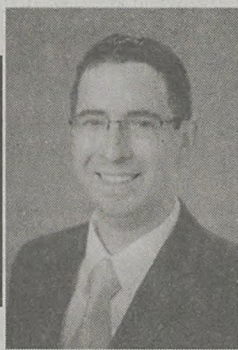
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favorite among Super Bowl fans. Domino pizza delivery personnel will log some 4 million miles on Sunday (probably not all in Wilmington and Tewksbury).

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Don't miss...

The Taste of the Town

TEWKSBURY - The Tewksbury Rotary Club will be holding its annual "Taste of the Town" fundraising event from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM at the Tewksbury Country Club, located on 1880 Main St.

Come sample terrific entrees, soups, desserts, & specialties from local restaurants. Restaurants con-

firmed so far include Tewksbury Country Club, Boston Chowder, Jade East, French's, Anthony's, T.J. Callahan's, and Oscar's Pinatas.

Fantastic raffles and silent auction items will also be available. All proceeds benefit Tewksbury Rotary Scholarships for local graduating seniors.

New this year, tables of ten are available for advanced purchase by March 1 for \$400. This event is always a sell out - guarantee your spot by booking early. General admission tickets will be sold beginning March 1 for \$30 per person.

To purchase a table or tickets call 978-851-8945 or 978-851-1005.

"Book Stew" Throws Viewers A Bone!

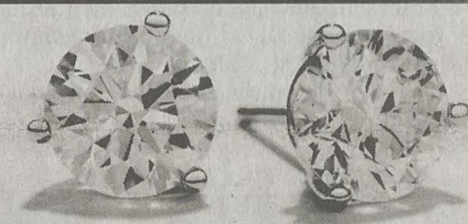


Eileen and Zoey promise a fun Book Stew episode!

Courtesy Photo

WILMINGTON -Doesn't it seem that the world is going to the dogs? In a good way, though, and Book Stew's February episode brings you a look at Zoey, The Listening Labrador, who works at the Wilmington Memorial Library. Zoey and her owner, Cheryl Markland-Thomas of Tewksbury, are volunteers for Pets & People, a group that assists children with reading and with getting over their fear of canines.

Book Stew can be viewed on WCTV on Mondays at 5 PM, Tuesdays at 1 PM, Thursdays at 7 AM and 7 PM, and Saturdays at 2 PM. A link to the program can be found at <http://www.wctv.org/Book-Stew> or on the Wilmington Memorial Library's website at <http://www.wilmli-brary.org/blogs>



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Sharing Money Problems with Kids

By Nathaniel Sillin

Kids are surprisingly resilient in the face of a crisis. But even so, serious family money troubles can potentially affect a young person's home life, education and outlook on money management down the road.

While my wife and I don't have kids, children under the age of 10 who are particularly mature – and particularly observant – often can immediately pick up on a parent's stress over money or other issues.

How can you be honest about your finances with a child under the age of 18 without spreading confusion or stress? The American Psychological Association points out (<http://www.apa.org/helpcenter/children-economy.aspx>) that kids can often deal with a crisis fairly well but most aren't yet keenly aware of tension in the household. When sharing money problems with your kids, here are a few ideas from the APA and other resources you can use:

Tell the truth, but watch how you tell it. You want to spare your child from hardship and worry, but it's important not to say things are great when they're clearly not. Try to explain in brief but truthful detail about what's happening and leave time for questions. Any child, no matter how sophisticated, can become worried if his or her parents reveal extreme fear about money concerns. Keep in mind there's a great opportunity in these conversations to understand your child's thoughts and attitudes. Make it a kind, understanding conversation, and listen for clues.

Keep the discussion age-appropriate. Teens may be more aware of general financial circumstances because they can spot different behavior at home or because their friends' parents might be going through similar circumstances. However, younger kids generally have less knowledge and experience to process what's going on. Tell kids what they need to know, but don't overload them with information.

Set an example. It may be difficult, but demonstrate grace under pressure. Be calm and reasoned. If you are looking for work, discuss that with your children and even share what that process is like. Remember, kids learn by example. If they see their parents dealing sensibly with adversity no matter how long it takes to right the ship, that's a very important lesson. Communicate behaviors that they will need to learn if they're going to successfully deal with money problems as adults.

Introduce or reinforce money lessons. Whatever the problem, reinforce smart spending and savings behavior no matter what the child's age. However old they are, (<http://www.practicalmoneyskills.com/EducateKids/>) kids should get regular lessons in the relationship between money and the things in their life.

Make it educational. Communicate behaviors that kids will need to successfully manage money in the future. Whatever the problem, reinforce smart spending and saving behavior no matter what the child's age. Teaching kids about money can be fun by introducing educational games. The Practical Money Skills website offers a collection of games (<http://www.practicalmoneyskills.com/games/>) kids can play to learn how to save money. Talk to them about important financial concepts such as budgeting – and bring them to life using real-life examples like planning an affordable family vacation or outing.

Introduce the emergency fund. One of the essential building blocks of personal finance, the emergency fund exists to protect savings and keep borrowing to a minimum. Older children might embrace the value of an emergency fund as a way to offset the financial loss of a lost bike or smartphone or some other personal item. For adults, the general rule of thumb on emergency funds is to have at least three to six months of savings on hand in case of a lost job or expensive repair. The key is to talk with the teen about the parallel financial risks in their lives that might benefit from the existence of emergency savings.

Focus on things more important than... things. Parents can use a tough financial stretch to focus on the positive, such as time spent enjoying family, friends and pets, which doesn't cost much at all. Good health and healthy behaviors are essential elements of correcting problems, overcoming tough times and living a full life. In short, use this moment in time to help your child put money in the proper perspective.

Bottom line: A money crisis can truly test the strength of a family. Should you find yourself in a financial bind, use it to teach your kids some very important money lessons.

Nathaniel Sillin directs Visa's financial education programs. To follow Practical Money Skills on Twitter: www.twitter.com/PracticalMoney.



Guest Op-Ed

School Choice Matters for Massachusetts Families

By Andrew R. Campanella

When it comes to K-12 education, America's parents want more choices.

In fact, almost two thirds of parents – 64 percent – say they wish they had more options for their children's education.

In a society where Americans choose practically everything, from the brands of coffee they drink in the morning to the types of cars they drive, it is understandable that parents are demanding more of a say in where they send their children to school.

Parents understand that with greater options come better results for their children. Every child is unique, with distinctive interests and learning styles. Moms and Dads know that a school that might work for one student might not be a good fit for another.

From January 24-30, millions of Americans will raise awareness about the importance of school choice at an unprecedented 16,140 events – including 265 events in Massachusetts. These events are planned to coincide with National School Choice Week, the largest celebration of opportunity in education in US history.

For families in the Bay State, National School Choice Week provides a good opportunity to review the different types of education options available to their children.

Parents can choose from schools in the public sector – such as traditional public schools, public charter schools, magnet schools, or online academies. Parents can also pay to send their children to private schools, or educate their children in the home.

Parents who are not happy with their children's current schools, or would like to explore their options, should use January to consider the alternatives available to them. Families can use National School Choice Week as an opportunity to visit schools, ask lots of questions of teachers and administrators, and talk with other parents to find a school

that may be a better fit.

Starting the school search process in January, rather than waiting until summer break, means that parents have more options available to them.

Of course, some – if not many – parents in Massachusetts will find that they do not have as many education options as children and families in other states. For these families, National School Choice Week provides an opportunity to stand up and have their voices and opinions heard.

Providing greater access to education options in Massachusetts and across the country is essential, not just for individual families, but for the future prosperity of communities.

Research has demonstrated that when parents actively choose the schools their children attend, or choose to educate their children in the home, high school graduation rates increase dramatically.

A student with a high school diploma will, over the course of his or her life, earn more than a quarter million dollars more than a student who has dropped out. High school graduates are far less likely to be incarcerated, and are six times more likely to participate in community and civic affairs than individuals without high school diplomas.

In the short term, and over the long haul, school choice pays dividends.

Most importantly, though: school choice matters because every child in America has potential. Today's students are tomorrow's leaders, and together, we must do everything possible to prepare them for success.

Andrew R. Campanella is president of National School Choice Week, the nation's largest annual celebration of opportunity in education. A recognized expert on education reform, Andrew lives in Blue Mountain Beach, Florida.

Thanks First Responders

Dear Editor,
Over the past few years, we have had the Wilmington Fire and Rescue and Police out 5 or 6 times. Their professionalism is of the highest order. They handle all of our emergencies with cool yet friendly ease. They are a credit to themselves and to the community. This morn-

ing I had to be rescued from our outdoor elevator. I was cold, but they arrived 9 minutes after I called. After getting me out, they accompanied me into the house to be sure I was OK.
Kudos to the entire team!

Peter Anderson

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Wilmington Library Notes

by Christina Stewart

Downloading Ebooks Feb 9

Registration begins 30 days prior to the event. Please register online using our Calendar of Events at www.wilmingtonlibrary.org or by calling (978) 694-2099 (for Adult) or (978) 694-2098 (for Children/Teen). Please note we request registration for programs that are marked

*RR. Thank you to the Friends of the Library for funding support for library programs!

Writing Group *RR

Saturday, February 6, 9:15 am-11:15 am
If you love to write and

seek input and accountability, then join our writing group. Please bring up to five pages of written work to the meeting. Open to all genres and levels. Led by local writing enthusiast, Barbara Alevras.

Unlocking Your Job

Search *RR

Monday, February 8, 10 am
Unlocking your job search requires effort! Take part in this interactive discussion on how to prioritize your job search strategies while implementing a personal balance that will inspire healthy results. Presented by Dusty McNeal, Recruitment Specialist with Securitas Security Services.

Downloading E-books *RR

Tuesday, February 9, 2:30 pm
Does the Overdrive website have you flummoxed? Come to this class, taught by technology librarian Brad McKenna, and he'll help demystify the process of downloading eBooks to your device.

Tuesday Night Craft: Pineapple Night Light (limit 12, \$5, 16+) *RR

Tuesday, February 9, 7 pm
In need of some tropical vibes? Create a pineapple night light to brighten up those cold winter nights. Please stop by to register at the Information Desk.

Downloading E-books from Overdrive *RR

Wednesday, February 10, 7 pm
Does the Overdrive website have you flummoxed? Come

to this class, taught by technology librarian Brad McKenna, and he'll help demystify the process of downloading eBooks to your device.

The Baker Chocolate Company: A Sweet History *RR

February 11, 7:00 pm
Local historian Anthony Sammarco details the delicious saga of Massachusetts's Baker Chocolate Company, from John Hannon's mysterious disappearance and the famed La Belle Chocolatiere advertising campaign to cacao been smuggling sparked by Revolutionary War blockades. Both bitter and sweet, this tale is sure to tickle your taste buds.

Kids & Teen Programs

Little Movers *RR

Monday, February 8, 10 am
Let's move! Join us for a morning of singing, dancing, and moving around! Ages 18 months-2

Maker Mondays MaKey MaKeys: Make ANYTHING into a Key

Monday, February 8, 3:45 pm
Use bananas (and other fruits and veggies) as a keyboard. Grades 6-12

Art Adventures: Georgia O'Keefe

Tuesday, February 9 at 3:45 pm
Create your own masterpiece in the style of Georgia O'Keefe. We'll explore different forms of media and techniques to make one of a kind artwork for you to take home. Grades 1-3

Star Mag

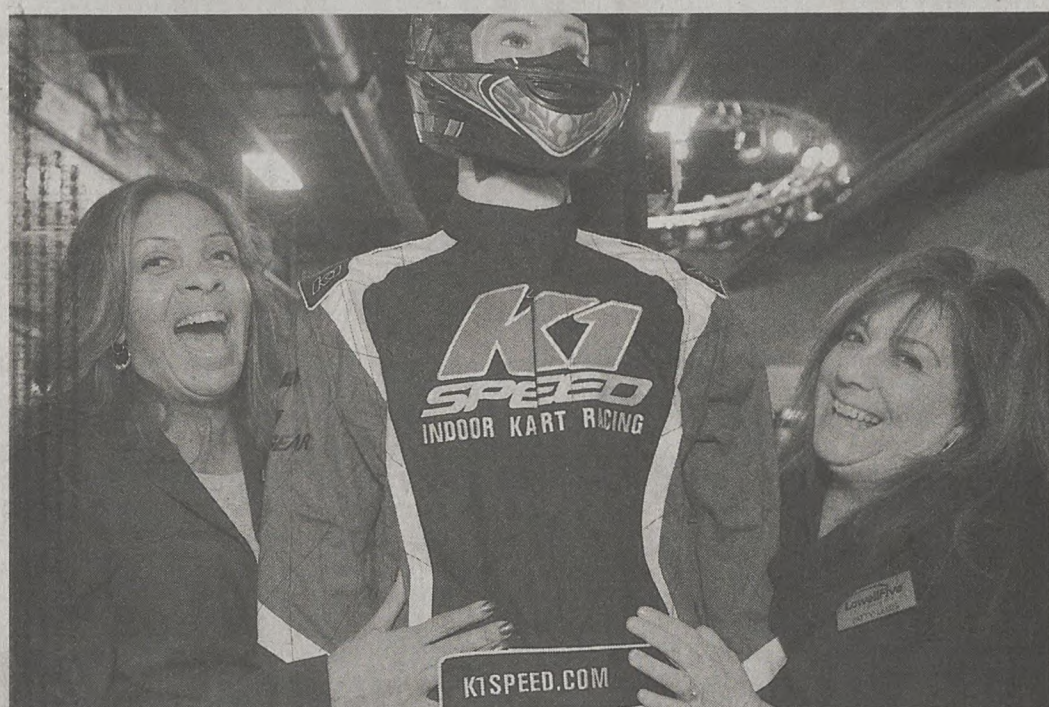
Wednesday, February 10, 3:45 pm
Drop-in to help create this magazine written by, for and about kids, and published by the library. Bring in finished original artwork, puzzles, poems, comics, jokes, or create it while you are here. Grades 4-8

Drop-In Storytime

Friday, February 12, 10 am
Drop in for stories, songs, rhymes and a fun craft! Space is limited, tickets will be distributed on first-come, first-served basis. Ages: 2-5 and one or more adults.

New Website

Check out the library's new website www.wilmingtonlibrary.org and let us know what you think!



Maria Garay Dodd and Patty Lelos both Branch Managers at the Lowell Five (a full service Bank) in Tewksbury seem to having a great time getting to know Mr. Speed the K-1 mascot at the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce "After Hours" event welcoming K-1 to Wilmington. photo: BruceHilliard.com

Off the Shelf

Skillshare Workshops @ WML

BY CHARLOTTE WOOD, Assistant Library Director

The Wilmington Memorial Library's schedule of upcoming spring programs includes Skillshare workshops featuring presenters from the community.

Last fall, residents were invited to submit an application identifying a skill or talent that would be interesting and helpful to share with others in a workshop format. We received applications on a wide variety of topics from how to make the perfect pie crust to mediating disputes.

Sharing and learning brings people together and helps to strengthen the community, highlighting the library's tagline "Community Starts Here. We hope to continue offering Skillshare workshops through the summer and fall and that residents will consider participating either as an attendee or as a presenter.

If you are interested in presenting a workshop, please email Assistant Library Director Charlotte Wood at cwood@mvic.org to receive

an application. If interested in attending, please register online at wilmingtonlibrary.org or call the library at 978-658-2967. Registration begins 30 days prior to the event.

Spring Skillshare Workshops at WML:

The Perfect Pie Crust

Thursday, March 10, 7 pm
Wilmington resident and expert pie maker, Scott Crispin, will demonstrate how to make the perfect pie crust. Scott will bring a few of his famous pies to sample as well to serve as inspiration to make your own for March 14 (Pi Day).

Smilebox Photoshows

Wednesday, March 30, 7 pm
Learn how to create slideshows with your digital photos using Smilebox software. With Smilebox, you can transform photos into keepsakes that friends and family treasure. Tell any story you want from a backyard BBQ to your daughter's wedding. Please bring your photos on a flash drive. Taught by Wilmington resi-

dent Eileen MacDougall. Laptops provided

After-Death Communication and Its Implications for Grief

Thursday, May 12, 7 pm
Cheryl Amari, Founder and Owner of GriefTeach, a Tewksbury-based business will be presenting her findings on after-death communication (ADC). When a loved one dies we often yearn to stay connected with them in some way. Some people report "signs" of their loved one's presence, but is it really possible to communicate with deceased loved ones? Presentation will distinguish between deathbed visions, near-death experiences, shared-death experiences and ADC. She will also explore the various types of ADCs, review the latest research in the field and provide resources and further reading.

Wilmington Networkers: Mediating Disputes at Work and at Home

Monday, May 23, 10 am
Learn how to apply mediation principles and techniques to resolve conflict in a collaborative and mutually beneficial way in one's family and in the workplace. Presented by Christina Haines, certified community mediator in Cambridge Small Claims Court and member Harvard Mediation Program at Harvard Law School.



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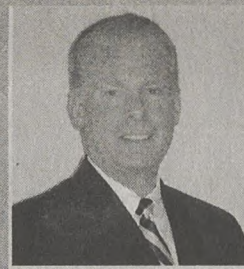
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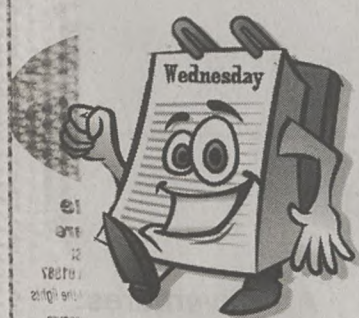
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The Town Crier is looking for new writers to join our dynamic team. Ideal candidate will have a flair for analytical writing, an ability to meet deadlines, and an interest in the community. We need correspondents who can cover various town meetings and municipal issues in Wilmington and Tewksbury. The commitment can be as big, or as little, as your schedule allows.

Contact Jayne Miller at jayne@yourtowncrier.com with at least two writing samples and a resume.

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Let's Hear it!!

Your Two Cents...

Wilmington:

Access is Mandatory (AIM)

9:30 AM-2:30 PM
Knights of Columbus
 Make Tuesday extra special. AIM is a great chance to meet new friends and reacquaint with old friends. Spend the day playing games or just talking to people from different communities. A hot lunch is served at noon. There is no fee and the Knights of Columbus is handicap accessible.

2016 Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Programs at RMLD

Tax preparation at RMLD is strictly a walk-in center. If you have specific questions about what you need to bring or if you wish to make an appointment at two other locations, they can contact the Wilmington Senior Center or Reading Administrator of Elder/Human Services Jane Burns at 781-942-6658 or jburns@ci.reading.ma.us. Appointment locations are: Wilmington Town Hall, with the Wilmington Senior Center making the appointments, on Wednesdays, and St. Athanasius in Reading, with Reading Town Hall COA-Jane Burns making the appointments, on Thursdays. RMLD is a walk in site, there is no appointment needed. Located in the cafeteria in the back of the building and parking is in the lot at the left.

Knights of Columbus Team Trivia

Friday, Feb. 5: 8-10 PM
 Team Trivia is open to anyone 21+ in the Smoke-Free Members' Lounge. Bring snacks and friends. Teams can range from 1-6 players and there is never a fee. 1st and 2nd prizes are awarded nightly.

Girl Scout Cookies

Girl Scout Cookies will be sold on Saturday, February 6th at all Market Baskets in Tewksbury and Wilmington from 9:00 AM-3 PM. They will also be sold at Walmart at the same time. If you need cookies, you can contact Christine at 978-866-3550.

Family Movie and Craft Night

Fri., Feb. 12: 6:30-8:00 PM
Abundant Life Church, 173 Church Street
 Bring your children to watch Veggie Tales "The Wonderful World of Ha's" and do fun crafts. Donations for the Wilmington Food Pantry are suggested. For more information, call 978-658-8584 or visitabundantlifechurch.org.

Breakfast with the Easter Bunny sponsored by Wilmington Sons of Italy

Sunday, March 20
Knights of Columbus Hall, Middlesex Ave.
 There are two seatings: 8:30 AM-10:00 AM and 10:30 AM-noon. The breakfast costs \$8 and is free for children 3 and under. The menu

consists of scrambled eggs, hash brown patty, bacon, sausage, waffles, coffee, milk, juice, and muffins. For tickets, call Tara at 978-758-0405.

WHS Class of 1976 Plans a 40th Reunion

Saturday, May 14
 The reunion will be at the Tewksbury/Wilmington Elks and will begin outdoors in the "Grove" at 4 PM, weather permitting. Otherwise, if raining, the party begins inside at 6 PM to 11 PM. Tickets are \$35 per person. For more info, please contact Class President, Rosie Wallent at rosiewallent@hotmail.com or call 978-658-7376. Official invitations will be emailed out by December 1. The reunion is open to other classmates of mid-1970's classes. Also visit Wilmington High School Class of 1976 on Facebook for details and updates.

Tewksbury:

Boy Scout Troop 49

Tuesdays: 7-8:30 PM
Church of St. William Parish Center, 1351 Main Street
 Boy Scout Troop 49 meets weekly. If you or your son wants to join Scouting, stop by for information.

Fundraiser at The Barn

Thursday, Feb. 4, 7PM
 Rep. Jim Lyons is hosting a fundraiser for Republican State Committee Candidate Ruth Chou at the Barn (12 Highvale Ln, Andover, MA

01810). Ruth is running for state committee in the 2nd Essex & Middlesex district (all of Andover, Dracut, Lawrence, and Tewksbury).

Souper Bowl of Caring

Through Sunday, Feb. 6
 Through the Souper Bowl of Caring, Tewksbury residents can help care for their neighbors suffering with hunger and poverty. Trey Witzel, the pastor of Tewksbury United Methodist Church, invites all schools, congregations, and businesses to bring canned donations on or near Super Bowl Sunday. For more information visit souperbowl.org. Canned donations can be brought directly to the church at 2335 Main Street.

Taste of the Town

Wed., April 6: 6 - 9 PM
 The Tewksbury Rotary Club will be holding its annual "Taste of the Town" fundraising event from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM at the Tewksbury Country Club, located on 1880 Main St. Come sample terrific entrees, soups, desserts, & specialties from local restaurants. Raffles and silent auction. Proceeds benefit Tewksbury Rotary Scholarships.

New this year, tables of ten are available for advanced purchase by March 1 for \$400. General admission tickets will be sold beginning March 1 for \$30 per person.

To purchase a table or tickets call 978-851-8945 or 978-851-1005.

Flashing Yellow Left Turn Arrow

Just read the "Left turn arrow wanted" item from Jan 27 paper. I just came back from driving north on RT38 and the left turn arrow onto RT62/Burlington Ave still isn't working. The signal is either a red light or a flashing yellow arrow (and oncoming traffic immediately gets a green). So now there is no safe opportunity to turn...

Editor's Note: Coincidence is a mighty thing, and we have it here. We reached out to Mark Kratman with the Department of Transportation (DOT) and it turns out that the Flashing Yellow Arrow is a new protocol for traffic signals.

Kratman said that DOT sent an electrician to check the signal last week and everything was working as programmed. Since then DOT replaced the signal cabinet at Route 38/Route 62 with a brand new cabinet and controller equipment as part of planned signal upgrades along the Route 38 corridor.

At the same time, a new method of operation for the Route 38 northbound left turn went into effect. This operation is referred to as Flashing Yellow Arrow (FYA), which is a new way of dealing with protected/permitted left turn phasing.

Kratman speculated that the person that submitted the above comment may have been driving through the intersection as work began to install the latest equipment, and thus wasn't yet working properly.

According to studies, the FYA is actually safer for motorists. Check out the link below for more information. www.massdot.state.ma.us/highway/Departments/TrafficandSafetyEngineering/TrafficSignals/FlashingYellowArrow.asp x0

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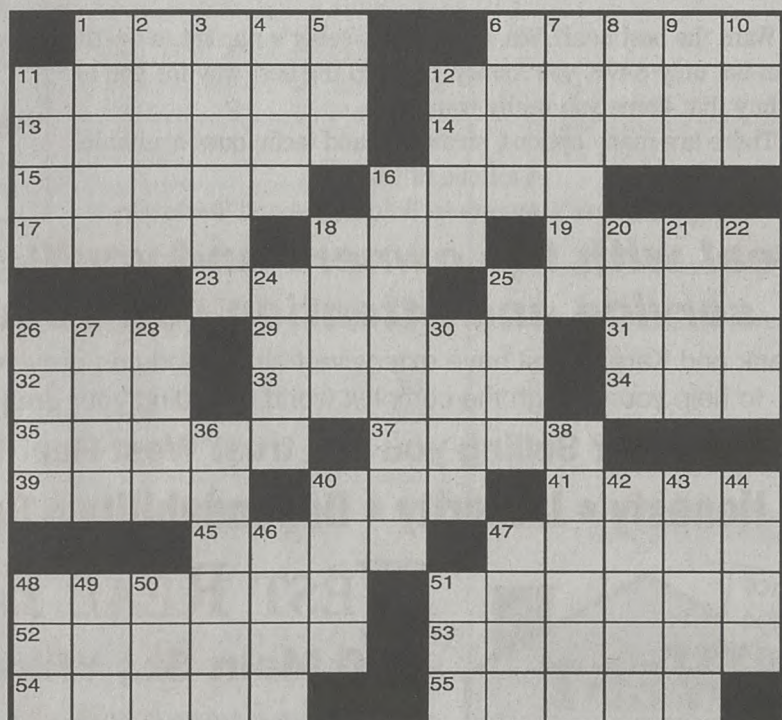
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 - 6 Wild card
 - 11 Had a ball?
 - 12 Dawn goddess
 - 13 Lets out, maybe
 - 14 Veggie tray item
 - 15 Hunter's station
 - 16 "Stormy Weather" singer
 - 17 Pump part
 - 18 Kiwi's extinct cousin
 - 19 Black as night
 - 23 Wooden strip
 - 25 Pointless
 - 26 Actor Herbert
 - 29 Chloroform kin
 - 31 — appetit!
 - 32 Yves' pal
 - 33 Lower leg
 - 34 Ave. crossers
 - 35 Nobelist from Egypt
 - 37 Swell, as a river
 - 39 Lace or ribbons
 - 40 Make an offer
 - 41 "— —, old chap"
 - 45 Toledo locale
 - 47 Shorthand pro
 - 48 Urban nuisance
 - 51 Soft sweater
 - 52 Payola
 - 53 Familiar threat (2 wds.)
 - 54 Heroic tales
 - 55 Succinct
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 - 3 Landscapes
 - 4 Collies do it
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 - 6 San — Capistrano
 - 7 Decree
 - 8 Garden-pond fish
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 - 11 Applies makeup
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 - 16 Ladies' man
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 - 21 Board imperfection
 - 22 Itches
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 - 25 Peeves
 - 26 Survive
 - 27 FitzGerald's poet
 - 28 Calf-length
 - 30 Sooner city
 - 36 Protozoan
 - 38 One or the other
 - 40 Dumpsters
 - 42 Licks an envelope
 - 43 Licorice flavoring
 - 44 Antiquity
 - 46 Shed tools
 - 47 Holding a grudge
 - 48 "Mystery!" channel
 - 49 A Gershwin
 - 50 Band job
 - 51 Witticism

Absolutely stupid useless trivia:

In every episode of Seinfeld there is a Superman somewhere.

Each of the Kings in deck of cards represents a specific king from history:
 Hearts - Charlemagne
 Diamonds - Julius Caesar
 Clubs - Alex the Great
 Spades - King David



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Solution to Today's puzzle

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HOW TO PLAY:

Each row, column and set of 3-by-3 boxes must contain the numbers 1 through 9 without repetition.

Answer on Page 9



K1 Speed Wilmington had a great turn out Wednesday night as they held their Grand Opening with the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce. Chamber members came with friends and business associates and actually got a chance to race. photo: BruceHilliard.com

Tewksbury Congregational Church Families Make a Big Splash

TWEEKSBURY Last week-end Shawsheen Tech's pool was churning with more than 50 youth and adults from Tewksbury Congregational Church. Attendees of this free event enjoyed the basketball hoops, balls, noodles and diving boards while taking an opportunity to connect outside of the church building in a fun and relaxed setting.

This event is one of a series sponsored by the church to provide family-friendly activities for church members, friends, and interested community members to get to know each other better outside the building.

The next family friendly event will be "Meet the Easter Bunny" on March 13th and will be open to the public. This free event will feature craft stations, a light brunch, and a chance to have a picture taken with the Easter Bunny.

Registration for Sunday School is on-going with tuition free classes for youth ages three through high

school. Classes run for approximately an hour and begin with a Biblical story and are followed by crafts, projects and lively activities. All youth are welcome regardless of religious background. For more information regarding the youth programming at Tewksbury Congregational Church, located at 10 East Street Tewksbury, MA (across from the Town Common), please visit their website at www.tewksburycc.org.

Tewksbury Congregational Church, a member of one of the largest Protestant denominations in New England, is located across from the Town Common, and was established in 1735. Tewksbury Congregational Church welcomes all people desiring to lead their lives according to the teachings of Jesus Christ, regardless of race, color, national origin, previous religious background, economic status, gender, age, sexual orientation, or physical challenges. For more information, visit www.tewksburycc.org.



Justin Avery and Ben Panilaitis took a moment to catch their breath between basketball shots during Tewksbury Congregational Church's pool party this past Sunday.

Courtesy Photo



Lorelei Wiggan and Destiny Paquette sold Girl Scout Cookies for Troop 79093 at Wal-Mart in Tewksbury on Sunday. Photo by Maureen Brady

American Legion Post 136 Happenings

Highlights from the Jan 2016 meeting

Membership:

It was reported that we are up to 96.10% paid up for the 2016 cycle and one more had just paid, which will raise the numbers a little more. 2015 cards are no longer valid.

Old Business:

The decision to contact another contractor to repair the parking areas was made, due to the lack of response from the one that had originally said that he would do it.

Scouts:

We will be presenting new

National Colors, with an adjustable staff, to Pack 136, per a request from the Pack Committee, to help with the finances to purchase them.

The Blue & Gold Banquet will be held on February 7th, at Villa Nova Hall. Officers from the Post will attend.

New Business:

A motion was made and accepted to request a copy of all members DD214's as is required by American Legion National and IRS, to be kept on file. SS numbers may be blanked out for security reasons. Please forward them to the post.

There was discussion about the possibility of forming a

firing squad to honor our fallen veterans. All were in favor, but this will be discussed at a future date when more information is available.

On February 7th, we will be at The Four Chaplain's Ceremony in Medford, as well as The Blue & Gold Banquet. It was decided that The Commander, Service Officer and Color Guard will be in Medford, while three members including both Vice Commanders, will be at Villa Nova Hall.

The next meeting is Saturday, February 27th at 12:00 Noon at the Post. We hope to see you there!

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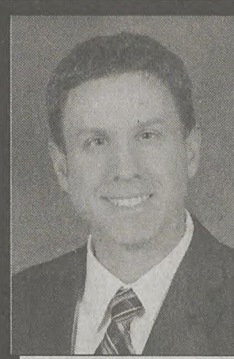
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Geraldine M. Clements

Pharmaceutical buyer for the McKesson Co.; operated Quilt Manufactory

TEWKSBURY / WILMINGTON - Geraldine M. Clements, Bergantino (Bergen), of Tewksbury, formerly of Wilmington, died peacefully at the Lahey Clinic in Burlington on January 31, 2016, following a brief illness.

Geraldine was born on June 30, 1939 in Cambridge, MA; she was the cherished daughter of the late Helen (Manson) Hogan. Geraldine was raised and educated in Wilmington and a graduate of Wilmington High School with the Class of 1956.

Prior to retiring, Geraldine worked as a pharmaceutical buyer for the McKesson Company in Woburn for 34 years.

In her later years, Geraldine owned and operated Quilt Manufactory in Littleton, she also taught quilting, and made countless beautiful quilts that she shared with her family and friends throughout the years.

Geraldine was a resident of Tewksbury for the last 20 years where she made many



long-time friends. She belonged to the Tewksbury Quilting Association and was a very active member of the Tewksbury Senior Center.

Geraldine will be fondly remembered as a lovely lady who was very close to her family and friends and she will be greatly missed.

Geraldine was the cherished daughter of the late Helen (Manson) Hogan, beloved sister of Bill Hogan and his wife Betty of California, dear niece of

Lorraine Allen of Salem and Albert Manson of Stoughton, loving cousin of Richard and Lisa Allen and daughters Sarah and Rebecca of Haverhill, Robert Allen and his partner Bob Soucy of Salem, Linda and Vincent Scifo and their children Allea and Vincent, Jr. of Wilmington, and Steven Manson of Newburyport. Geraldine is also survived by extended family as well as many dear friends in Tewksbury and at the Tewksbury Senior Center.

Family and friends gathered at the Nichols Funeral Home, 187 Middlesex Ave. (Rte. 62), Wilmington, on Wednesday, February 3rd for Visitation from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. Immediately followed by a Funeral Service at 11:00 a.m. Interment took place in Wildwood Cemetery, Wilmington. In lieu of flowers donations in Geraldine's memory may be made to the Tewksbury Senior Center, 175 Chandler St., Tewksbury, MA 01876. www.nicholsfuneralhome.com

Maureen R. Chisholm

Loving Wife, Mother, and Grandmother

WILMINGTON - Maureen R. Chisholm (McEnaney), age 71, a long-time resident of Wilmington, passed away on February 3, 2016, at the Sawtelle Hospice House after an 8-month battle with brain cancer.

Maureen was born in Lowell, MA on December 23, 1944; she was the daughter of the late Roland and Estelle McEnaney. Maureen grew up in North Chelmsford, MA and graduated from Chelmsford High School in 1962.

Maureen was married to Lester Chisholm in 1966 and recently celebrated her 49th wedding anniversary with her beloved husband on September 24, 2015.

Maureen worked at Hanscomb Air Force Base as a secretary until the birth of her first son in 1968. In later years she worked at Sunny Acres Nursing Home.

Always one to put the needs of others before her own, Maureen was an active volunteer; she volunteered for the Boy Scouts, the Open Pantry of Lowell and Tewksbury State Hospital. Maureen was also an active member of St. Dorothy's Parish where she attended services and volunteered for frequent church-related events.

Maureen loved spending



time with her grandchildren, family, and friends. She particularly enjoyed cooking and entertaining, soon becoming the family's holiday host.

Knitting, quilting, painting, gardening, and baking were some of her other favorite hobbies.

Maureen also enjoyed going to the beach and summer vacationing as a child in York Beach, Maine. More recently, Maureen enjoyed her vacations on Cape Breton Island, Nova Scotia at the family home.

Maureen was the beloved wife of Lester W. Chisholm, devoted mother of Steven Chisholm & his wife Joy, Ken Chisholm & his wife Jill, Scott Chisholm & his wife Robin all of Wilmington and

Katie Elias & her husband Adam of Melrose, loving "Grammy" of Jonathan, Sarah, Brett, Matt, A.J. and Cameron Chisholm, cherished daughter of the late Roland and Estelle (Miron) McEnaney, dear sister of Barbara Houlihan of Northampton, Raymond McEnaney & his wife Terry of Tyngsboro, James McEnaney & his wife Laramie of Ohio, Robert McEnaney & his wife Susan of Chelmsford and Paul McEnaney & his wife Lily of Bernardston. Maureen is also survived by many loving nieces and nephews.

Family and friends will gather at the Nichols Funeral Home, 187 Middlesex Ave. (Rte. 62), Wilmington, on Saturday, February 6th at 10:00 a.m. followed by a Mass of Christian Burial in St. Dorothy's Church, Main St., (Rte. 38), Wilmington, at 11:00 a.m. Interment to follow in Wildwood Cemetery, Wilmington. Visiting hours will be held at the Funeral Home on Friday, February 5th from 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. In lieu of flowers donations in Maureen's memory may be made to the Open Pantry of Greater Lowell, 200 Central St., Lowell, MA 01852. www.nicholsfuneralhome.com

Derek Michael DeLisle

Maintenance Technician at Tewksbury State Hospital

TEWKSBURY - Derek Michael DeLisle - 31, of Tewksbury died Saturday, January 30, 2016.

Born in Winchester, MA on October 1, 1984. He was a graduate of Shawsheen Technical School in Billerica. Derek worked at Tewksbury State Hospital for many years as a Maintenance Technician.

He was the beloved son of Holly (Florence) DeLisle and David M. DeLisle; and cherished brother to Kelly, Bobby and Joshua DeLisle. Devoted Uncle to nephews, Dylan and Blake Walker.

Derek's pure athleticism and raw natural talent in sports led him to be the captain of his wrestling team at



Shawsheen Tech, with a drive to be the best at whatever he set his mind to. He was a strong role model for his younger siblings. His childlike sense of humor

brought joy and laughter to those around him. He took great pleasure in teaching WWF wrestling moves to his nephews on the trampoline, much to their delight. Derek had a great talent for drawing and he loved his music intensely.

His funeral will be held at Crosswell Funeral Home, 19 Bow Street, North Reading on Wednesday, February 10 at 10:00 AM. Calling hours will be held prior to service from 9:00 to 10:00 AM. Interment will be held in Wildwood Cemetery in Wilmington.

www.crosswellfuneralhome.com

Joseph P. Maguire

30 years as accountant for Massachusetts Department of Public Works

WILMINGTON - Joseph P. Maguire, a Wilmington resident for fifty years passed away peacefully early Friday morning, January 29, 2016, at the Woodbriar Health Center in Wilmington following a lengthy period of declining health. He was 92 years of age. Joe was the beloved husband of Barbara A. (Hogan) and together they shared fifty wonderful years of marriage.

Joe was raised and educated in South Boston and attended Boston schools. He received his Associates Degree in business administration and accounting from Bentley College. He worked for thirty years as an accountant for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Public Works prior to his retirement. He was a past member of both the Wakefield Elks and the Knights of Columbus of



Wilmington. Together with his beloved wife, Barbara, they enjoyed dancing, traveling and especially enjoyed many memorable cruise vacations. In his leisure time, Joe also enjoyed golfing, bowling and was an avid reader.

Joe was one of six children of the late Andrew J. and Lena (Medeiros) Maguire. He was the brother of Eddie Maguire of Alton Bay, NH, the late Marilyn Brennon,

Andy, Bob and Frank Maguire. He is further survived by many nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews.

Funeral services were held from the Dello Russo Funeral Home, 374 Main St., Wilmington, Monday, February 1st, at 10:30 a.m. followed by a funeral mass celebrated in St. Dorothy Church, Main Street, Wilmington, at 11 a.m. Relatives and friends were respectfully invited to attend and visit with the family prior to the mass at the Dello Russo Funeral Home from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Services concluded with burial at Wildwood Cemetery, Wilmington. In lieu of flowers contributions may be made in Joe's memory to the Devlin Medical Scholarship Fund, 411 Main St., Stoneham, MA 02180.

Steven Robert Hughson

Employed at Peterson Party Center in Woburn

WILMINGTON / BOYLSTON - Steven Robert Hughson, age 26, of Wilmington and Boylston, beloved son of Steven and Denise Hughson passed away unexpectedly on February 2, 2016, from injuries sustained in a motorcycle accident.

Steven is survived by his mother and father, Denise and Steven Hughson, he was loving brother of Matthew, Alexander, and Melissa Hughson, all of Boylston, MA. Cherished grandson of Jean and the late Robert Hughson of Wilmington, Robert and Kathleen Lord of Tyngsboro, and the late Esther Lord. Steven is also survived by numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and many friends.

Steven was born May 9, 1989 in Lowell and attended Wilmington schools until age seven. He attended Boylston Schools and graduated from Tahanto High School in 2007. He was employed at Peterson Party Center in Woburn for the last ten years.



Steve enjoyed sports and recreational activities. He played in Boylston youth soccer and baseball as well as Shrewsbury youth hockey for many years. He still enjoyed playing adult hockey in recent years. He was an avid camper and back country hiker. He enjoyed many excursions in the White Mountains and north country of New Hampshire with family and friends.

Steve was affectionately known by friends as

"Cheshire" or "Oscar the Grouch" at work for his businesslike approach. Steve's sometimes "grouchy" exterior belied a very gentle, kind and generous nature which was apparent to all who were fortunate enough to know him. Steve will be sadly missed by his family and friends who loved him very dearly.

Family and friends will gather at the Nichols Funeral Home, 187 Middlesex Ave. (Rte. 62), Wilmington, on Friday, February 5th at 9:00 a.m. followed by a Mass of Christian Burial in St. Thomas Church, 126 Middlesex Ave., Wilmington, at 10:00 a.m. Interment will follow in Wildwood Cemetery, Wilmington. Visiting hours will be held at the Funeral Home on Thursday, February 4th from 5:00-9:00 p.m. Memorial donations in Steven's name may be made to Shriners Hospital for Children, 51 Blossom St., Boston, MA 02114. www.nicholsfuneralhome.com

Anna "Louise" Matarese

Her most notable passion was her family

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Anna "Louise" Matarese, 88 years of age, a resident of Wilmington for fifty years passed away the morning of January 27, 2016, at the Sawtelle Family Hospice House in Reading. Louise was born on January 30, 1927. She was a graduate of Arlington High School. She married Frank R. Matarese on June 23, 1951. They met when Louise worked as a secretary for John Hancock in Boston.

Louise was a loving mother of three children; Robert Matarese of Colorado, Maureen Matarese of Manchester, NH and the late Mark Matarese. She is also survived by her granddaughter Kathleen Louise Matarese.

Louise always overcame



adversities with love from heart. She was described by many as one of the nicest and most kind person they have ever met. She was adventurous and traveled extensively to places like, Alaska, Italy, France, Ireland, throughout the Caribbean as well as Las Vegas and trips to Foxwoods to name a few.

She will forever be deeply

missed by her family and friends.

A funeral mass for Louise was celebrated at St. Thomas of Villanova Church, 126 Middlesex Ave, Wilmington, Tuesday, February 2nd, at 10 a.m. Relatives and friends were respectfully invited to attend. Services concluded with burial at Wildwood Cemetery, Wilmington. It has been requested that in lieu of flowers donations may be made in Anna's memory to the VNA of Middlesex East, c/o Sawtelle Family Hospice House, 607 North Ave, Suite 17, Wakefield, MA 01880. Arrangements entrusted to the Dello Russo Family Funeral Home of Wilmington. To leave an online message of condolence please visit www.dellorosso.net

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Tewksbury Library to Host 4-Week Domestic Policy Discussion Series

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TEWKSBURY, MA - Area residents are invited to the Tewksbury Public Library to take part in a 4-week facilitated discussion series about critical issues confronting America.

Discussions will take place on Monday nights from 6pm to 7:45pm in the library's Meeting Room. Topics to be discussed include: Healthcare (February 8), Religious Freedom (February 22), Education Reform (March 7) and Minimum Wage (March 14).

Participants will be provided with a packet of background information on each

topic which they are expected to read prior to the discussions.

The goal of the series is to help participants better inform themselves about different perspectives on issues that affect the country, and then facilitate an exchange of different perspectives on how best to solve these challenges. Participants are encouraged to bring and share their opinions in this forum where controversy and courtesy go hand and hand.

Professional debate coach Keith West will facilitate the discussions. Keith has been

teaching and coaching debate for nearly a decade. He taught speech and debate at Texas Tech and Truman State, as well as Boston Latin and Acton-Boxborough High School. Keith currently moderates foreign and domestic policy discussion series at a number of other public libraries, including Wilmington and Peabody.

Registration is required for the discussion series and must be done in person at the library's second-floor Reference Desk. There is a \$20 registration fee (to cover costs of materials and help offset the cost of the facilitator)

due at the time of registration. Registration closes for the series on February 8 at 5pm. Spaces are limited.

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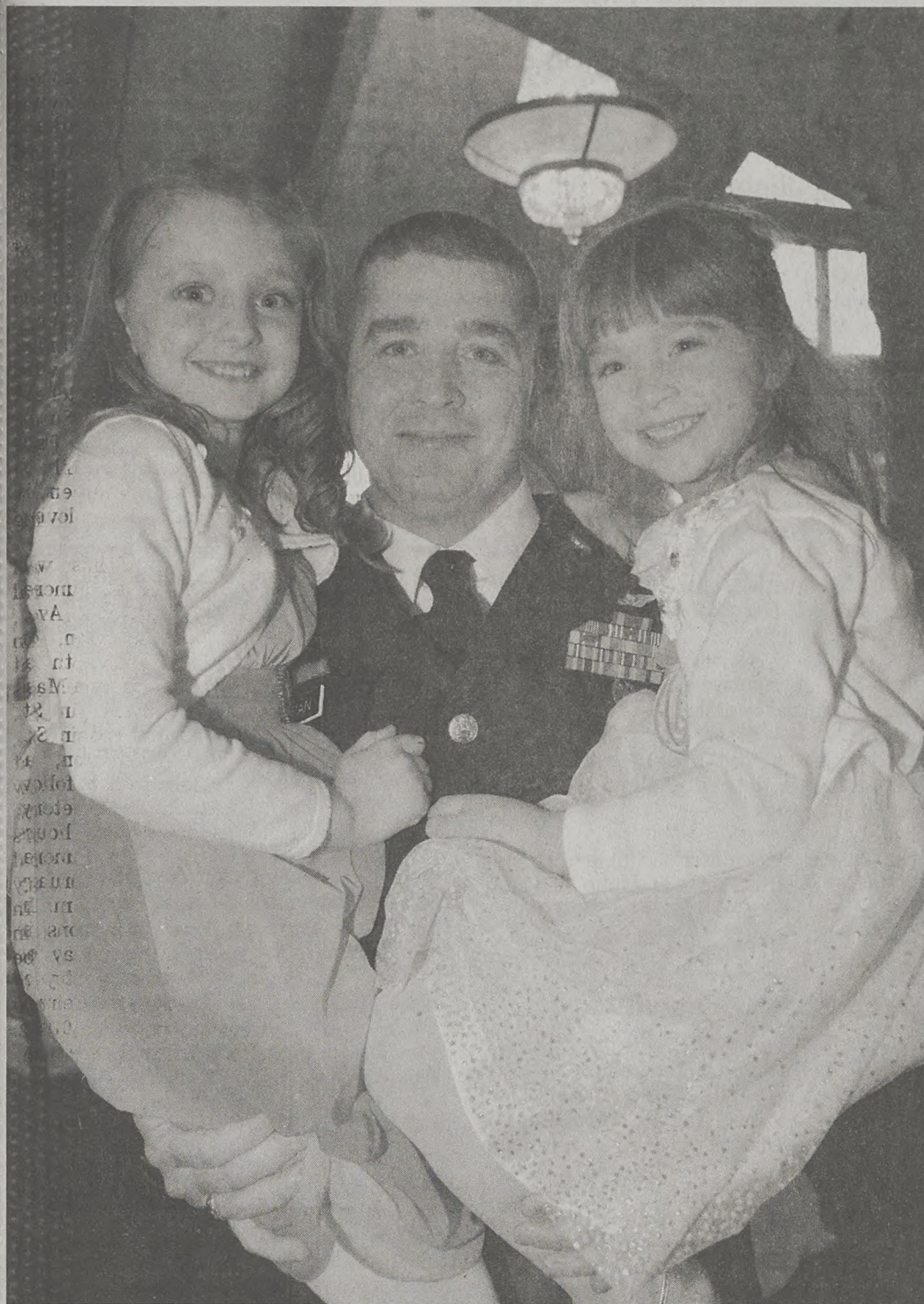
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The Tewksbury School Dept held their annual Father / Daughter Dance on Sunday at the Tewksbury Country Club on Sunday. To the left: Sgt. Brian Cadman, U.S. Army danced with his daughters, Abby and Lizzie.

Above: Teagan Claycomb hugged her father, Patrick, during a slow dance

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Tewksbury Police Log

Fight breaks out between hockey teams

Monday, January 25:

1:40 AM - Police stopped a motor vehicle for defective equipment at 1470 Whipple Road and 213 Patten Road. Verbal warning was given.

2:07 AM - A motor vehicle parked in the street at John's Cleanout and Removal. Overnight parking violation was issued.

2:33 AM - Police stopping a motor vehicle for inspection sticker at Boudreau's Automotive. Citation issued.

Tuesday, January 26:

6:38 AM - Police at Motel 6 to serve a party. Adam Alsarabi, 29, of 32 Starlight Drive in Walpole, was arrested and charged on the basis of a warrant for threatening to commit a crime.

4:16 PM - Female employee from North Street School reported the back window of her car is smashed out when she came out from work. Officer sent and filed a report.

3:41 PM - Ames Hill Drive female caller requested an officer to speak with the neighbor who is playing their music too loud. Officer sent and the caller did not want to give her name. Party spoken to and they are turning the music down.

Wednesday, January 27:

6:35 AM - Officer to Motel 6 to serve male party. Stephanie Ford, 21, of 22 Dublin Street in Lowell, was arrested and charged with the warrant for A&B default. Anthony Stinson, 28, of 22 Dublin Street in Lowell, was arrested and charged with a warrant for abuse prevention order violation.

10:23 AM - Caller reporting his window was shot at possibly with a BB gun overnight at South Street. Officer sent and filed a report.

11:48 AM - Fairway Drive party called the station to report a suspicious act. Caller states that someone was trying to scam her at her house. Officer sent to speak to the victim. All set; it was a life insurance company following up with her about interest in updating life insurance.

Thursday, January 28:

1:34 PM - Caller reports that there is a suspicious black SUV in the middle of the road at 1 Sharon Street and 22 Patriot Road who will not move. Police sent and they report that they are gone on arrival.

5:08 PM - Police sent to Fahey Place Apartments to check on a party pounding on the front door. Police reported this was a constable serving papers, which he slid under the door.

Friday, January 29:

9:07 AM - Police are out at 30 Decarolis

Drive attempting to serve a warrant of apprehension. Anthony Deniso, 20, of 30 Decarolis Drive in Tewksbury, was arrested and charged with a warrant of apprehension.

10:20 AM - Animal Control came across a loose dog at 453 Rogers Street and 341 Whipple Road. She located the owner at Whipple Road address and issued a written warning for unleashed and unregistered animal.

Saturday, January 30:

6:11 AM - Officers are at Stadium Plaza with a male party that appears to have a warrant. Dennis Bysiewicz, 69, of 9 Bradford Avenue in Medford, was arrested and charged with a warrant for leaving scene of property damage.

8:02 PM - Caller at Dunkin' Donuts reports youths asking about the registers. Police responded. Police checked the area. Parties were gone on arrival. Will make extra checks throughout the night.

10:14 PM - 911 caller at Breakaway Ice Center reports a fight between hockey teams. Police and ambulance sent. The officer reports all parties have left. No report necessary.

Sunday, January 31:

1:52 AM - Police out at Motel 6 to serve a party in room #142. Luis Castillo, 39, of 109 Everett Street in Lawrence, was arrested and charged with a warrant for operation of motor vehicle with suspended license.

2:05 AM - Police out to serve a warrant at Motel 6. Jennifer Domenichini, 31, of 13 Marietta Street in North Adams in Massachusetts, was arrested and charged with the warrant for operation of motor vehicle with suspended license and a warrant for shoplifting \$100 +.

4:04 AM - Rossana Ayala, 26, of 27 Golf Avenue in Methuen Massachusetts, was arrested and charged with failure to stop/yield, no inspection sticker, failure to wear a seat belt, possession open container of alcohol, and a warrant for operation of motor vehicle with a suspended license.

5:55 PM - An employee from Jimbo's Roast Beef called to report an intoxicated male party leaving the location and driving south on Route 38 in a known license plate car. Police are checking the area but the car was gone on arrival.

6:22 PM - Caller reports that there have been sound cannons for approximately 24 hours at the farm near Serenity Drive. Police sent and they report that they spoke with one of the workers at the farm and that party will check the timer for the sound cannons.



Wilmington Police Log

Employee allegedly steals from store

Monday, January 25:

12:54 PM: A minor motor vehicle collision occurred at the intersection of Middlesex Ave. and High St. involving a Volkswagen Passat and a Dodge Caravan.

Tuesday, January 26:

8:43 AM: A Honda Odyssey was rear ended in the parking lot of the Corner Store on Shawsheen Ave. by what the owner described as a gray Nissan Sentra which left the scene.

1:18 PM: A caller reported that his coworker at Crate & Barrel assaulted him while in a work vehicle.

3:23 PM: A minor motor vehicle collision occurred at the intersection of Glen Rd. and Lawrence St. involving a Nissan 370Z Roadster and a Ford Crown Victoria. No one was injured in the collision and the airbags were not deployed.

10:54 PM: A motor vehicle collision occurred by High-Tech Machine and Tool Inc. on Andover St. involving a Ford Taurus and a Ford Fusion. No one was injured in the collision.

Wednesday, January 27:

2:12 PM: A minor motor vehicle collision occurred at the intersection of Route 125 and Ballardvale St. involving a Chevrolet Tahoe and a Toyota Tundra. No one was injured in the collision.

4:22 PM: A Samsung Note 4 phone was stolen from an unsecured Planet Fitness locker. The owner tried to locate it with his Device Finder app, but the phone seemed to be off.

5:56 PM: A three car motor vehicle collision occurred by Rocco's on Main Street involving a Honda Accord, a Kia Forte, and a Chevrolet Avalanche. No one was injured in the collision.

Thursday, January 28:

11:21 AM: A motor vehicle collision occurred on I93 northbound Ramp 38 involving a Subaru Outback and a Lexus ES 350. No one was injured in the collision and the airbags were not deployed.

2:18 PM: A motor vehicle collision

occurred at the intersection of Route 62 and High St. involving a Toyota Camry

2:21 PM: A hit and run motor vehicle collision occurred in the parking lot of the Market Basket involving a Kia Spectra.

Friday, January 29:

12:49 AM: A car damaged a speed limit sign before striking a tree on Salem St. No one was injured in the collision.

9:09 AM: Bunly Hoan, 28, of 23 Powell St. in Lowell was issued a summons for speeding and operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license. A passenger took over operation of the vehicle after Hoan was pulled over.

10:14 AM: A minor motor vehicle collision occurred in the Market Basket parking lot on Main Street involving a Chrysler Sebring and a Honda Civic. The incident occurred when one car attempted to pull out of a parking spot while the other was pulling in.

11:11 AM: Elvent Chenh, 21, of 61 Ashwood Ave. was issued summons for larceny over \$250 from GameStop after his manager reported him to the police.

11:27 AM: Kenneth Santana, 29, of 12 Lamont St. in Billerica was issued a summons for operating a motor vehicle with a revoked license.

Saturday, January 30:

11:52 PM: A car with one passenger struck a pole on Chestnut St., cutting off power for multiple houses and possibly damaging the fuse at the top of the pole. The airbags were deployed in the collision, but medical attention was refused by the patient.

Sunday, January 31:

1:02 PM: Rebecca Roberts, 21, of 295 Main Street in Reading was issued a summons for operating a motor vehicle with registration revoked and driving an uninsured motor vehicle.

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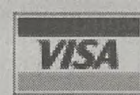
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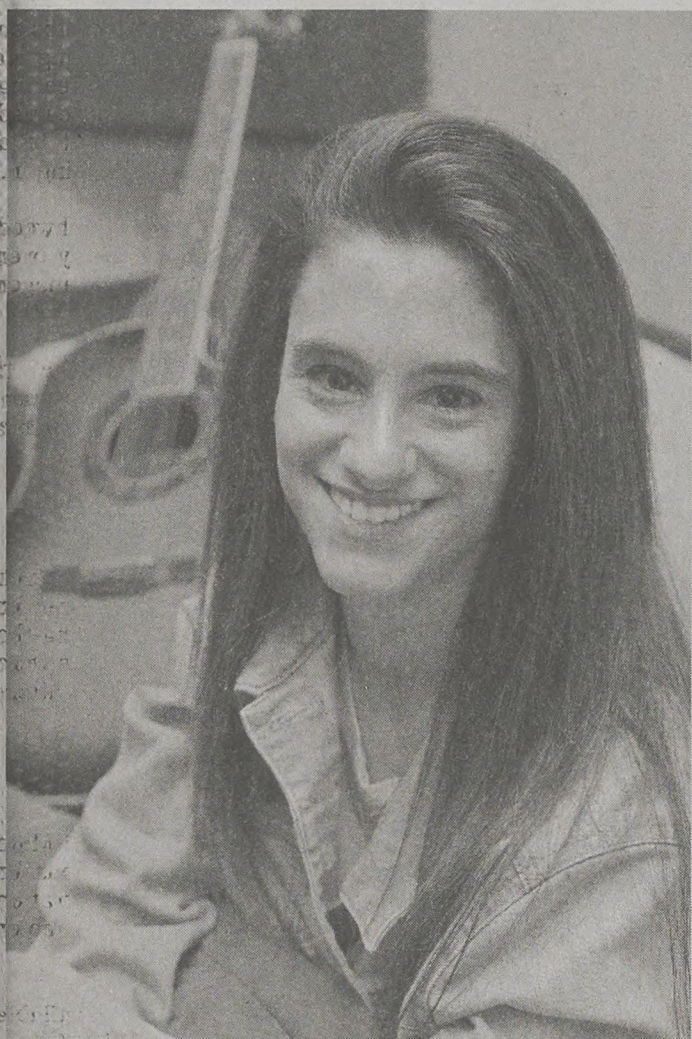
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TEWKSBURY - Some people dream of success. Others make it happen. For seventeen-year-old Geena Duffy, making it happen is a way of life.

Through the use of social media, the aspiring singer/songwriter caught the attention of MTV, landed herself a concert promoter and a cross-country social media tour.

Her music career began at the age of 10, writing, recording and performing original songs at the Lawrence YMCA studio, Music Clubhouse. This eventually led to her own YouTube channel, connections to up-and-coming artists, and in February 2015, Duffy was named one of MTV's "Artists to Watch."

"MTV contacted me, said they liked my YouTube channel and wanted to support me," said Duffy. Links to her music on iTunes, Soundcloud and Twitter account were featured on



Geena Duffy

Photo by Maureen Brady



Geena Duffy, age 17, recorded two original songs and a cover of "Pillow Talk" by Zayn Malik with Brendan Brady producer and co-owner of Sure Fire Creative Studios on Monday.

Photo by Maureen Brady

MTV.com, along with emerging artists like Tori Kelly and Meghan Trainor. She landed manager Rich Collier, founder of Keynote Company, known for concert promotion in Boston and beyond.

"She's a really tough kid," said mom, Carla. "She's done an amazing job tracking down the right people. She knows the resources and the places she needs to be noticed."

Inspired by pop artists Justin Bieber, Austin Mahone, Jake Miller and the band Against the Current, Duffy insists, "It's important to practice as much as possible."

When the Shawsheen Tech honor roll student isn't hard at work in the drafting program, she's focused on her music and can be found in her personal sound studio at home, or recording a new song at SureFire Studios in Lowell.

"Geena's creativity and passion are amazing but I'm most impressed with her dedication and the hard work she puts into it," said dad, Marko. "I admire her talent but I love her work ethic."

Her singles "Hello" and "One More Night" are available for download on iTunes, her cover songs can be found on SoundCloud, and she's begun a social media tour, kicking off next week in Boston, followed by performances in New York City and Philadelphia.

See Geena live Saturday, Feb. 13, 6pm, at Villa Victoria, 85 W Newton Street, Boston.

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Newhouse bows out

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around."

"I do not know all of the candidates personally, but I intend to learn more about each of them in the coming weeks. Certainly, Greg Bendel and Kevin Cairra have an established track record of community involvement, and their reputations are impeccable."

In response to one supporter, who asked what his priorities are for the remainder of his term, Newhouse replied, "It's business as usual for the Town. As a Board, we will review the Town Manager's budget in preparation for this year's annual town meeting, and go from there."

Last Tuesday Gregory Bendel, who currently holds a seat on the Housing Authority, pulled nomination papers for Selectman along with Joseph Lavino and Kevin Cairra. On Thursday, January 28, Park Street resident Thomas Miller pulled nomination papers. Newcomer candidate for School Committee and Woburn Street resident, Thomas Talbot, was the first candidate to return his papers. They will be certified by the Town Clerk's office this week. Peggy Kane was the first candidate to pull nomination papers, and Julie Broussard took out her papers January 8.

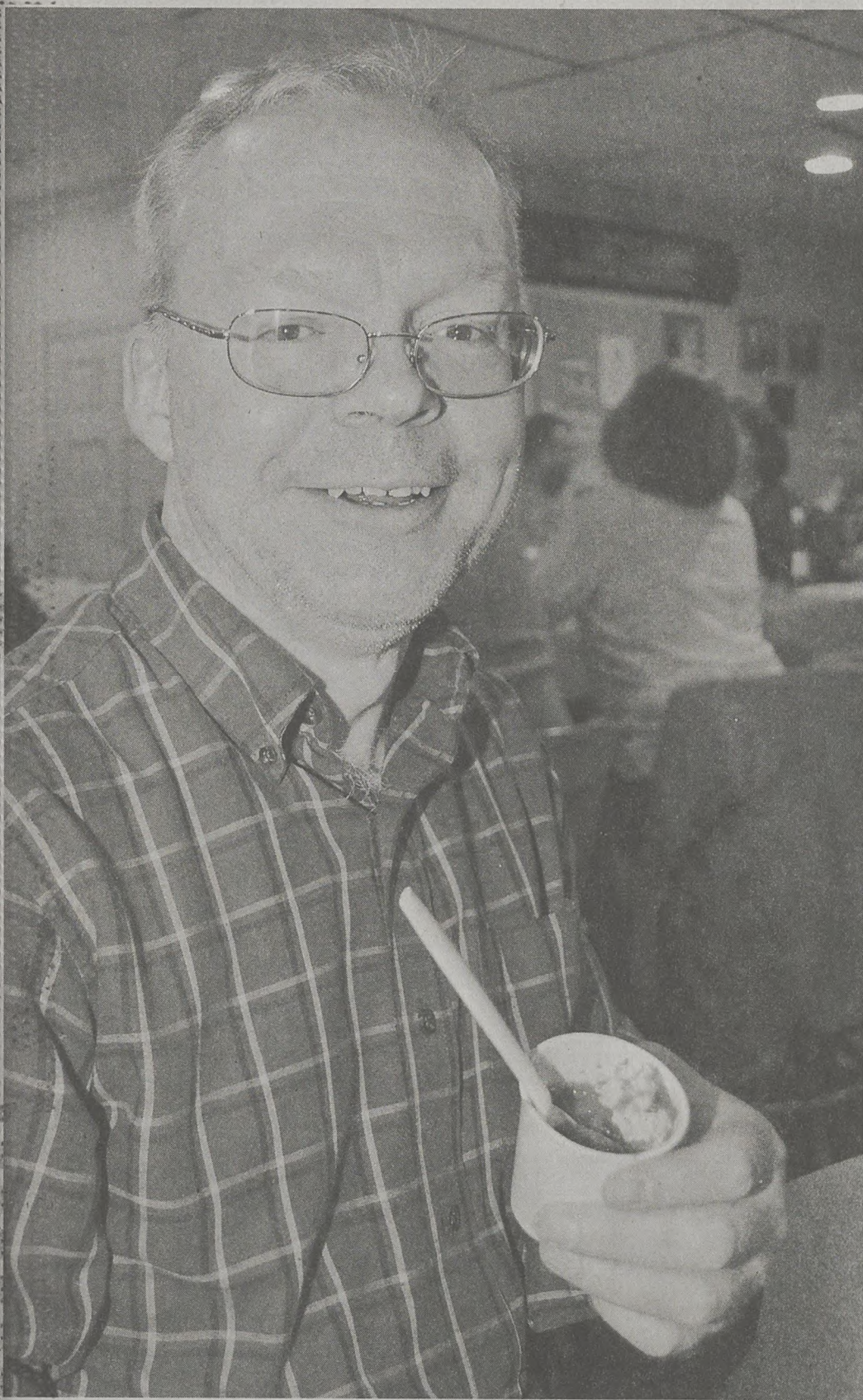
Incumbent Kathleen

Carroll has not pulled nomination papers for a second term. All School Committee seats are three-year terms.

Robert Peterson, Sr. is up for re-election for the Shawsheen Regional Vocational Technical School Committee, which is a three-year term. He pulled his nomination papers Monday, January 11.

The deadline for candidates to return papers is Thursday, March 3 by 5 pm. Each candidate must have at least 50 certified signatures.

The Annual Town Election is April 23 and the Annual Town Meeting is April 30.



David O'Connell enjoyed the chili made by contestant #5 at the Sweet and Spicy chili cook-off held at the Knights of Columbus in Wilmington on Friday evening.

Photo by Maureen Brady

Schools get 4% Increase

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next year, and completely eliminated the year after. If this assumed cut comes to pass, there will be a \$50,000 increase into the budget. DeLai's plan would absorb that price tag in staffing costs.

In response to feedback from teachers and administrators, DeLai's proposed budget would create several new positions in the schools. Among the new positions would be a Behavioral Health Coordinator, a new health educator position for the two intermediate schools for Grade 5, an adjustment counselor and a Behavior Intervention Support Staff at Shawsheen Elementary.

Another major cost driver was the replacement of supplies. The replacement of consumables has a cost of \$43,021.

However, in her presentation, DeLai informed the committee that even with these expenses, the average expenditure per student is significantly lower than most rival communities.

"It's important for the committee to realize that the average per pupil expenditure among comparable districts for instructional materials and supplies is \$310," DeLai said. "Wilmington spends on average just \$95."

DeLai stated that this was most noticeable in the paucity of books available to students, a deficit she hopes to amend.

"That's the key instructional material that you need," she said.

Town Manager Jeffrey Hull was in atten-

dance at the school committee meeting and spoke on the value of conservative economic policies practiced in the town.

"While we continue our attempt to make reasoned estimates about future revenue growth, it is not possible to accurately anticipate when the next economic downturn will occur," Hull said. "We have seen over the past ten years a consistent move by the state to trim local aid and grant programs that fund municipal operations."

"The challenge here is one of strategic focus," DeLai stated in a blog post. "We need to ensure that sufficient resources are invested and strategically directed at the programs, equipment and materials, staffing, and training necessary to support our mission and achieve our vision."

DeLai stated her belief that the budget was supportive of the school administration's established objectives of "developing learning leaders; ensuring equity and excellence; creating safe and supportive schools; and achieving operational effectiveness."

"The future for Wilmington is still a positive one if we maintain our conservative approach to budgeting, continue to maintain reserve funds, and continue to address our long-term liabilities," Hull said. "It requires a degree of restraint and in many cases the prioritizing of needs and wants."

The school committee will vote to adopt or reject the superintendent's proposed budget during the February 10 meeting. If approved by the committee, the budget will then go before the town meeting on March 10.



Leesa Schuler of Hoopla Web Designs dons her racing helmet as she and other members of the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce get ready to race at K-1 Speed. She looks a bit nervous don't you think!? photo: BruceHilliard.com

Town throws dog owners a bone

Dog Park aims to open this summer

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The Substance Abuse Prevention and Support program, prompted in part by alarming drug overdose rates in town, aims to enhance collaboration among departments to provide a more holistic approach to supporting victims and their families, triage victims for treatment, provide family social services, and prevention and awareness education. Hull noted that in 2015 Wilmington had 8 opiate related fatalities, up from 3 the previous year. In 2012 EMTs responded to 18 overdose calls, which was up to 66 by 2015.

"At the present rate of increases, Wilmington will be grappling with an overdose a week and an overdose related fatality each month," said Hull in his budget message.

Hull proposed \$80,000 in funding for substance abuse prevention and support programs. In 2015 Hull formed a coalition with membership drawn from the Wilmington Public Schools, Police and Fire Departments, Public Health, Veterans, Elderly Services, and a resident representative.

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Janet Girardi, Edie Germano, Jackie Reberio, Alba Frasco and Jane Ammon enjoyed a night out at the Wilmington Knights of Columbus for the "Sweet and Spicy" Chili cook-off. Who won? See page 2. Photo by Maureen Brady



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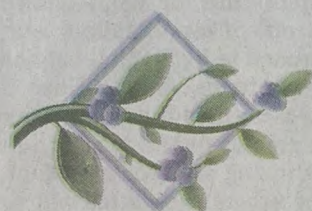
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Wilmington SPORTS

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Wildcats capture first indoor league title

In dramatic fashion, girls make school history

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ROXBURY - It certainly wasn't easy. It went down to the wire, the last event. But when that was over, the four members of the team celebrated together, before being mobbed across the track by the rest of their teammates, coaches and supporters.

In dramatic fashion, the Wilmington High School Girls Indoor Track-and-Field team captured its first undefeated dual meet season and first league championship after edging out Burlington 45-41 held Monday night at the Reggie Lewis Center.

Trailing by a point going to the final event, the 4x400 relay, Wilmington had to win in order to take the Middlesex League Freedom Division championship title. Had the 4x400 relay team lost, both Wilmington and Burlington would have shared the league title, something no one from Wildcat Country wanted.

Instead what they wanted was history, and they achieved that. The team of Sam Pitzi, Alexcia Luna, Elisabeth Olson and Julia Gake completely blew Burlington's 4x400 relay team away by almost 13 full seconds finishing at 4:18.87 to seal the meet victory and

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On Monday night, the Wilmington High School Girls Indoor Track-and-Field team captured the program's first ever league title after a dramatic victory, which came down to the final event, the 4x400 relay, against Burlington. Wilmington prevailed in the relay race giving the team the meet win and the Middlesex League Freedom Division Championship. The team finished the regular season with a perfect 5-0 record.

(photo by JoeBrown.photo).

Pitzi, Luna, Olson and Gake prevail during crunch time

Meet and the championship title came down to relay event

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ROXBURY - The case was very simple. Really no math was required. A win and they win, simple as that. And that, they did, all of them.

On Monday night, the Middlesex League Freedom Division League Championship came down to the final event, the 4x400 relay team. Wilmington, trailing by a point in the meet, were the favorites having a six-second better seed time. But nerves, a bad hand-off, a slip, a lane violation or an unexpected surge from an individual were all obstacles the Wilmington girls had to endure.

Instead of any of those misfortunes happening, the group of Samantha Pitzi, Alexcia Luna, Elisabeth

Olson and Julia Gake made sure they will remember the four minutes and 18 seconds for the rest of their lives.

That time, 4:18.87 officially, was more than enough for the foursome to not only win the relay race, but to help the Wildcats achieve its first league championship in school history. "We all have worked so hard, especially the seniors through the four years," said Gake. "This is amazing. I wouldn't want to celebrate this (championship) with anyone else. These girls are all the best and this is just so amazing."

Before the race started, certainly nerves had to come into play. After all, if the four of them had lost to Burlington, the teams would have shared the league title. Pitzi, the lead-off leg, wanted to make sure that didn't

happen.

"I was scared because I didn't want to give us a bad start and have the rest of the (Wilmington) girls have to catch up," she said.

She was then asked about the seeding times and being the clear cut favorites to win.

("Burlington's team) had a personal best time by eight seconds in their last meet, so you never know what can happen," she said. "Even though on paper we had a better time (going into it), doesn't mean you're going to win it. You just never know."

"This is so exciting. No one team has ever done this before in school history so it's so exciting to know that we're the ones who first did it."

Pitzi had a small lead when

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At 269 pounds, Tammy Torres just didn't feel well.

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What's more, the Methuen resident says, she could barely walk. "I had bone spurs and plantar fasciitis, so my feet and calves killed me," she says.

Her doctor asked her if she'd consider bariatric surgery and recommended that she check out Lowell General Hospital's Center for Weight Management and Bariatric Surgery.

She did. And on May 11, 2009, the then-51-year-old underwent gastric bypass surgery.

Torres not only lost 130 pounds, but her health problems completely resolved.

"I have no sleep apnea and no acid reflux," she says.

"I also was on the verge of being diabetic and that risk has gone away."

Now, Torres not only works on her feet all day, but also walks regularly for exercise to maintain her weight loss.

"It was the hardest thing I ever did. It really requires a lifetime commitment to not put the weight back on, and some days I really struggle."

"But my grandchildren keep me motivated," she adds. "I want to be here when they grow up."

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From the Sports Editor's Desk

From the mascot meeting to alignments to Gillis, time to clean out the notebooks

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I have a lot of stuff piling up in my various notebooks over the last few weeks, so the old cliché would say that it's time to clean them out. So here's a long pot-pourri of different topics.

First let's start off with the story that will never, ever, ever end. The Redmen mascot, logo, symbol or whatever you want to call it story. I attended the Open Forum Meeting on Wednesday night and had to leave halfway through so I could attend the Wilmington High School Boys Hockey game against Reading. The meeting was what I thought it would be – one person after another getting up to the microphone repeating what's been said over and over and over again. One side says it's history, another side says it's racism.

I've stayed away from writing on this topic for various reasons, but I will say that I can not wait for the day for the decision to be made whether to keep it or to change it. That will be the day, hopefully, the social media frenzy finally comes to an end.

I say that because there's a small group of people – not all – on the social media sites who are absolutely obnoxious. I love the guy who blames the media (especially the reporters as he claims) for all of this. Really? How about social media has been the problem with this with the 800 posts a

day, and 95 percent of those posts irrelevant? If the Redmen name does change, I actually would put part of the blame on the people on the social media sites.

However, I do not think the nickname will be changed. Last Wednesday's meeting clearly indicated that.

WHS AD POSITION

Also last Wednesday, the town of Wilmington officially posted the Athletic Director's position, and that person would become the school's fifth AD in school history taking over on July 1st. I had been hearing that it was going to be a part-time spot, but according to the job posting it is indeed a full-time position.

As for possible replacements, I know of at least two, possibly three candidates who will be going for the position, two of which are coaches in the system. I also heard of a possible outsider who could be interested and if this is true, this person would be an excellent choice in my mind. I'm not going to disclose any names as of now.

I believe that Ed Harrison's replacement needs to be someone that has his incredible work ethic, and one who can continue to lead an entire coaching staff. This new person needs to have experience, leadership, new ideas and get some of these coaches and programs back on track. Currently some of the athletic programs are struggling

mightily in the Middlesex League. This league is tough. It's the right league for Wilmington but may not be if some of these programs don't get the necessary help.

HOCKEY POLL

Speaking of the Middlesex League, how about Thursday's ESPN.com/Boston high school boys hockey poll? In the top 15 teams, four come from the league with No. 7 Winchester, No. 8 Burlington, No. 11 Arlington and No. 15 Woburn. How crazy is that? I remember the days when the Cape Ann League Hockey teams were among the best in the state ... oh wait that never happened.

Anyway, the Wildcats have lost to all four teams and as of Thursday had a 7-6 record. With eight games left, the Wildcats should be able to get back into the state tournament, once again in Division 1, a complete joke by the way, but if that happens, they'll be the only winter sports team heading to tourney play as the two basketball teams and girls hockey team currently have a combined record of 3-37-1. Ouch!

One idea for the new AD is perhaps look into Co-Op programs. Certainly the girls hockey team could use help, it looks like wrestling will need help, the cross-country programs need help with numbers and you can always look into starting



Wilmington High senior Jackson Gillis, shown here with his family during National Letter of Intent Day, will most likely be chosen in this summer's MLB Draft so it'll be interesting to see if he elects to go pro and not to Vanderbilt University. (file photo).

new programs, such as getting gymnastics back, or fall or winter swimming programs.

I think you always have to do what's best for the kids of this town and giving them new opportunities and getting other students involved in different activities never hurts.

FOOTBALL PLAYOFF ALIGNMENT

The other ongoing story that seems to never go away is the constant new alignments in high school football. I like the new playoff format, but there's several things that I don't like about

it. Eight divisions is way too much. I don't even think Texas or Ohio have eight divisions. The consolation games need to go.

Another thing I don't like is why on Earth are teams with one and two wins getting into the playoff format? Hit the snooze button when for example Tewksbury and Salem play. That's like the Patriots and Jaguars in the first round of the playoffs. We are told everyday that we need to make everyone feel good while competing, but 41-0 games don't make kids feeling all warm and fuzzy.

I just think there's too many meaningless games in this current system, both in the winner's bracket and certainly in the loser's bracket. Wilmington vs Somerville in years past? Or in the current state it could be Tewksbury and Medford and Wilmington and Bedford? Wow, get the extra police detail for those gripping match-ups.

Not just in football, but in my opinion the MIAA has to change the format of teams with sub .500 records being involved in tournament play. Get rid of the ridiculous "Sullivan Rule". If you are a coach of a basketball or baseball team that finishes 2-18 and you decide to take your team to a state tournament playoff game, you should never coach another game again. Not even at the youth level. And I say that because you obviously have no self respect.

Back to this format, I don't see why teams that don't make the playoffs can't play an eight game schedule? Or why can't you just base everything on your league play, meaning one true champion, you get rid of all non-league games, you schedule crossover regular season games and then teams that don't make it, can play other consolation crossover games?

MVC ALIGNMENT

Recently I wrote an article about how the Athletic Directors of the MVC changed up its alignment in football. But what I didn't realize at the time is the new alignment set for the 2016 fall season is for all sports except ice hockey and lacrosse. So in MVC Division 1, it's going to be Methuen, Lawrence, Haverhill, Central Catholic, Andover and Lowell and in Division 2, it'll be Tewksbury, Billerica, Dracut, Chelmsford and North Andover.

I would assume that small changes will be made. For instance in field hockey, Lawrence would go to D2 to replace Billerica which doesn't have a program and in boys tennis, golf and wrestling I would think Lawrence and Chelmsford would switch spots.

Turning to other MVC news, word came out last week that Chelmsford High School decided not to bring back longtime football coach Bruce Rich, who also earlier retired from the softball job but has kept the wrestling position.

Rich is an outstanding individual and I believe a

first rate coach. I know he ruffled Rick Cooke's feathers throwing the ball late in a game against Tewksbury a few years back, and he also made sure to drag out every softball game for hours and hours, but I know I'm going to miss him calling the shots in both football and softball.

I'm hearing that former Lowell High Football coach Scott Boyle could be Rich's replacement. Talk about a guy who was treated unfairly, Boyle certainly was in Lowell. I hope he does make it back to the MVC where he belongs.

Turning to a local angle, I'm going to toot my own horn here. I know it's just coincidence and nothing to do with me, but it's pretty cool that I went to Philadelphia in May to watch Scott Oberg and was on hand for his only save of the season. Then on Sunday, I went to Merrimack College to watch Derek Petti play hockey and I was there for his first NCAA goal. I'm so glad I was able to be there to share those special moments with two truly special young men.

GILLIS TABBED BEST IN STATE

Wilmington High School senior Jackson Gillis was named the best player from Massachusetts in a recent MaxPreps.com article. Gillis, who has signed his letter of intent to Vanderbilt, will certainly be drafted this upcoming June. It'll be interesting to see in what round he gets drafted – my guess (and just a total guess) would be between rounds 5-10. He is currently ranked No. 57 for high school prospects according to the latest Baseball America Poll – and that doesn't include the college list.

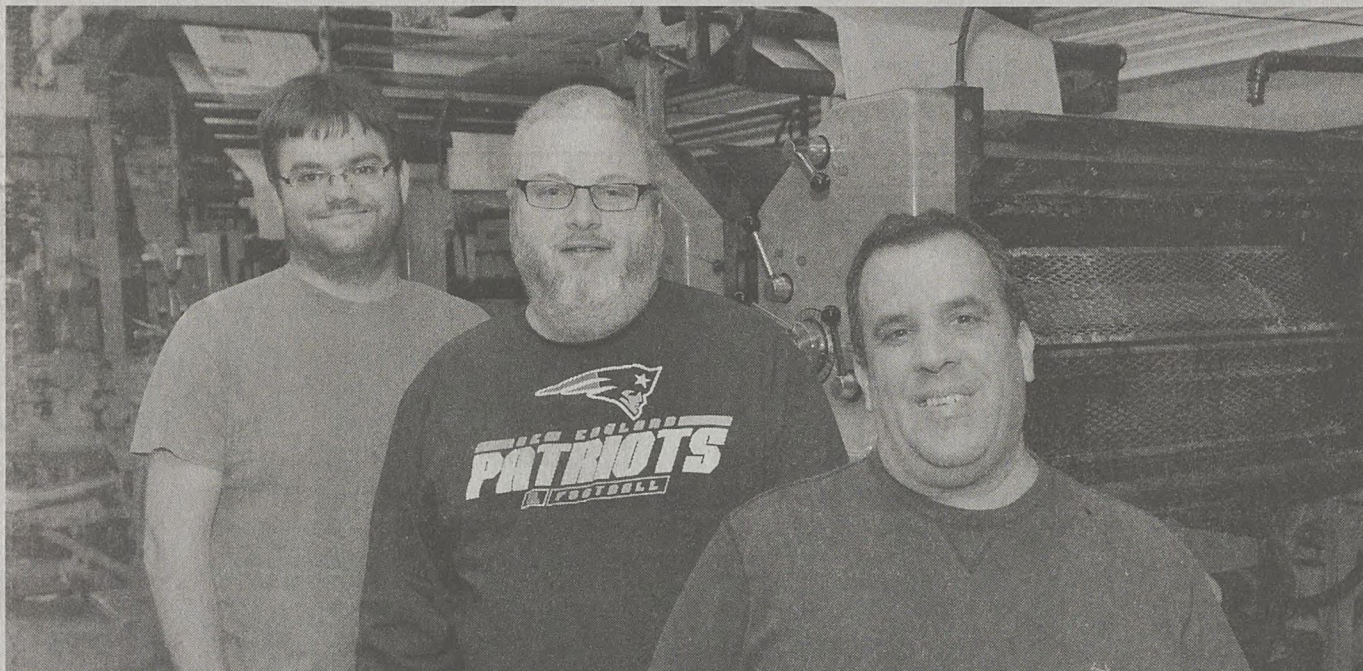
Recently it was announced that high school players who are drafted will now be allowed to have an agent negotiate for them with major league clubs before enrolling in college without affecting their NCAA eligibility. Should be interesting come June, especially if Gillis has a season like he did two years ago.

TOO MANY ARE LEAVING US

In the past calendar year, the Tewksbury and Wilmington communities have lost Tony Romano, Frank Kelley and now Ed Dick. These three are huge losses for the two local communities. Have a collection of three gentlemen done more for kids in the two towns than Romano, Kelley and Dick? Seriously, think about it. I don't think you could top that list.

I know I'm really going to miss seeing Ed Dick's face at the football games and at the concession stand. He always was so appreciative of all of the stories I wrote about the teams, and especially the ones I did on his grandchildren. He went out of his way to show that appreciation and I'll never forget that, or him. He was a special person in the Town of Tewksbury.

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A skillful Reading squad skates past Wildcats

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READING - In each of the past two years, the Reading Memorial High School Boys Hockey team has (all but) ended the Wilmington High School team's season. Two years ago, the two teams met up in the classic Division 1 North sectional final game at the Tsongas Arena. Then last year the Rockets defeated the Wildcats to officially eliminate the team from making it back to post-season play.

Well on Wednesday night, the Rockets made it three wins in a row.

Reading jumped out very fast on Wilmington and dominated play in the first period and went on to outshoot Wilmington 39-15 while coming away with the 4-1 win in a Middlesex League crossover game held at the Burbank Arena.

Reading improved to 7-1-5 overall including a 4-0-2 stretch in its last six games which included a 3-0 win over Hingham and a 2-2 tie with Woburn. The Wildcats fell to 7-6-0 overall, including a three-game losing streak with previous losses to Arlington and Winchester in this brutal part of the team's schedule.

"I kind of had a feeling that this would happen after giving everything we had in those (earlier games with Arlington, Winchester)," said Wildcat head coach Steve Scanlon. "To do it one more time is tough and (Reading) may be the most talented team of them all. They are very fast, skilled, tough and they play a very intense game."

"Once you get behind them, it's real tough. They are just so good and we really had no answer for them especially in that first period."

"I thought we played a little better in the second and third, but at the same time

they came back down to Earth a little bit because (with the early lead) they didn't need to continue to play with that fire."

Reading's first line couldn't be stopped all night, especially with the talented duo of juniors Matt Thomson and Kevin Tobin. Thomson scored the first goal of the game coming in the seventh minute as he beautifully put a wrist shot to the top corner coming off the left hand circle.

Tobin then scored a power play goal coming with 4:34 left in the period, again with a hard wrist shot to the top corner.

Reading led 2-0 after the first period and led 19-4 in the shot department.

The Rockets quickly made it a three-goal lead scoring just 19 seconds into the second period as Thomson shifted through two defensemen before going low for his second tally of the game.

After both teams couldn't convert power play chances, Wilmington got on the board with 4:59 left in the second. With the face-off to the left of goalie Sean Dynan, Wilmington's Brian Cavanaugh won the draw to his left, and quickly Josh Buske took the puck, took a stride and sent a quick wrist shot to the low right corner making it 3-1.

But Reading was able to get that three-goal lead back as captain Liam O'Neill scored on a tough angle shot coming with 1:49 left in the period making it 4-1. Cavanaugh had a golden chance to get it back to two, as he was sent in on a breakaway but his hard shot just missed wide.

The third period was scoreless as Wilmington netminder Ryan St. Jean played very well making 12 of his 35 saves on the night.

"St. Jean was real good," said Scanlon. "To face forty shots and (save 36) obviously he did a real nice job."



The senior members of this year's WHS Boys Hockey team includes: front row from left: Joe Kelley, Brian Cavanaugh and Shawn Giroux; and back row from left, Eric Steeves, Steven Cannata, Cole Walsh and Nicholas Russo.

(photo by JoeBrown.photo)

With a 21-game schedule, Wilmington needs 21 points to qualify for the tournament and right now have 14 with eight games left.

"We're now just trying to get through this, past this tough stretch and get back to playing (Freedom Division) opponents and we'll go from here," said Scanlon. "I just wanted to make sure tonight that the kids played hard and they did until the end. There was no quit and that was important. There's not too many teams that play in a league with five of the top 25 teams in (Eastern Mass.). So we're done with the iron and now it's time to move on."

On Saturday, Wilmington skated to a scoreless tie with Melrose. Nick Russo made 26 saves in the net to record the shut out. The tie puts the Wildcats at 7-6-1 overall and the team now needs six points to qualify.

Where's the Action?

Day	Date	Sport	Opponent	Time
Wilmington High Sports				
Friday	Feb 5	V Girls/Boys Hoop	vs Watertown	5:00 pm
Saturday	Feb 6	V Wrestling	at Tyngsboro	10:00 am
Saturday	Feb 6	B/G Track	ML Meet - RLC	1:30 pm
Saturday	Feb 6	V Boys Hockey	at Watertown	6:00 pm
Saturday	Feb 6	V Girls Hockey	vs Watertown	8:30 pm
Tuesday	Feb 9	V Girls/Boys Hoop	at Stoneham	5:00 pm
Wednesday	Feb 10	V Girls/Boys Hockey	at Stoneham	6:00 pm
Wednesday	Feb 10	V Girls Hoop	at Tewksbury	7:00 pm
Shawsheen Tech Sports				
Thursday	Feb 4	V Boys Hockey	vs Bedford	7:10 pm
Thursday	Feb 4	V Swimming	State Meet	TBA
Friday	Feb 5	V Girls Hoop	vs NDA	5:30 pm
Saturday	Feb 6	V Girls Hoop	vs Maynard	7:00 pm
Saturday	Feb 6	V Wrestling	D1 Dual Meet	TBA
Monday	Feb 8	V Girls Hockey	vs Norwood	3:00 pm
Tuesday	Feb 9	V Boys Hoop	vs Chelsea	7:00 pm
Wednesday	Feb 10	V Girls Hoop	at Lowell Catholic	6:30 pm
Wednesday	Feb 10	V Girls Hockey	vs Oakmont	7:00 pm
Wednesday	Feb 10	V Wrestling	vs Westford	7:00 pm
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Strong showing for young squad

Wrestling team finishes seventh at Middlesex League Meet

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WAKEFIELD- The Wilmington High School Wrestling team had a strong showing at Saturday's Liberty & Freedom Invitational Tournament at Wakefield High School.

With far fewer wrestlers into the tournament than other teams, the Wildcats finished seventh as a team led by the performances of league champions Fox Maxwell and Lou Larffarello.

Maxwell, wrestling in the 138-pound division, went 3-0 for the day, winning each match via pin. Larffarello, wrestling in the 285-pound division, also went 3-0 for the day, and also decided each match via pins.

Head coach Joel McKenna was impressed by the entire team, even those who did not advance to the championship match of their respective weight class.

"I wanted (the kids) to wrestle tough," McKenna said. "I wanted them to wrestle to the best of their ability. Every single person who wrestled for Wilmington High School represented Wilmington High School to the best of their ability. That's what we've been looking for."

No one endured a more grueling day than Sam Jennings, wrestling in the 170-pound division. Jennings defeated his first two opponents, but his third match placed him opposite Ryan Errico of Winchester. Their contest would go to a triple-overtime decision, leaving both boys weary and bloody. Errico emerged with the win on a 5-4 decision, but Jennings would go on to place third overall for his weight class, going 4-1 for the day.

"He lost to an incredibly tough opponent in what was probably the deepest weight class out there today," McKenna said.

Jimmy Carroll dropped his

first match against Antonio DiFronzo of Melrose. After this loss, Carroll battled his way through the remainder of the day, defeating his next three opponents to go 3-1 for the day and clinch third place for the 195-pound division. Carroll had to fight to the very end, defeating Mattos Xhurell of Arlington for third place with a 4-2 decision.

"He came back and he beat a kid that he lost to last weekend," McKenna said. "He had such a great day for himself."

The tournament also saw hard-fought contests for other Wildcat grapplers including Josh Fitzler (1-2), John Cox (1-2), Cam Burke (2-2), Nick Kullman (0-2) and Noah Shanning (0-2).

It has been a long and difficult season for the Wildcats, with injuries and long tournaments taking their toll on the team. Now in the final stretch of the season, McKenna hopes that the competitive drive he saw on display on Saturday will remain with the team.

"The number one thing is, stay healthy," McKenna said. "Number two, have a day like we did today, where we have kids wrestling to the best of their ability, doing the best that they can and really competing. Sometimes it's a hard thing for these guys to learn and really set into motion, just that competitive level can be difficult to get to."

Soon Wilmington will enter sectional and state competitions, with the Division III North Sectionals scheduled to begin February 13 at Triton Regional High School with the state meet following the next weekend at Taconic Regional.

"It's every man for himself at that point," McKenna said. "These guys need to make sure that they win, even win ugly if they need to. They are there to compete and do the best that they can."

Larffarello pins down another impressive milestone

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WAKEFIELD- Lou Larffarello battled his way back from injuries to take the top spot in the 285-pound weight class during Saturday's Liberty & Freedom Invitational Wrestling Tournament held at Wakefield High School.

Larffarello went 3-0 for the day, finishing all of his opponents off with pins. His victories lifted his season record up to 13-5 for the season.

"It's awesome," said head coach Joel McKenna. "For Lou, he's had some injury issues last year and the beginning of this year, so it's a great confidence builder for him. He's coming back from stuff and he's getting himself into shape, and he handled a real tough opponent in the finals here."

Larffarello is no stranger to winning. Two years ago he made WHS Wrestling history when he was crowned the program's first heavyweight division sectional champion, while becoming the program's 16th wrestler to earn a sectional title.

Larffarello's burgeoning career hit a wall last year when an injury to his knee sidelined him for the final month of the season. He has continued to battle injuries throughout this season, coming back for a 3-0 run during the Framingham Holiday Tournament in December.

Injuries put him on the backburner once again, until Saturday's tournament when he roared back to life and once again swept the compe-

tition.

"I couldn't have been happier with my performance," Larffarello said. "We didn't think my injury was too serious, but my coach knew I needed to go slow with my recovery. I was on crutches for a week, and after that I started riding the bike, doing the elliptical, all that. I ended up coming back and feeling better than ever."

Larffarello's path to victory on Saturday included victories over Anthony Denham (1:50) and Dan DiMeglio (1:42), both of Wakefield.

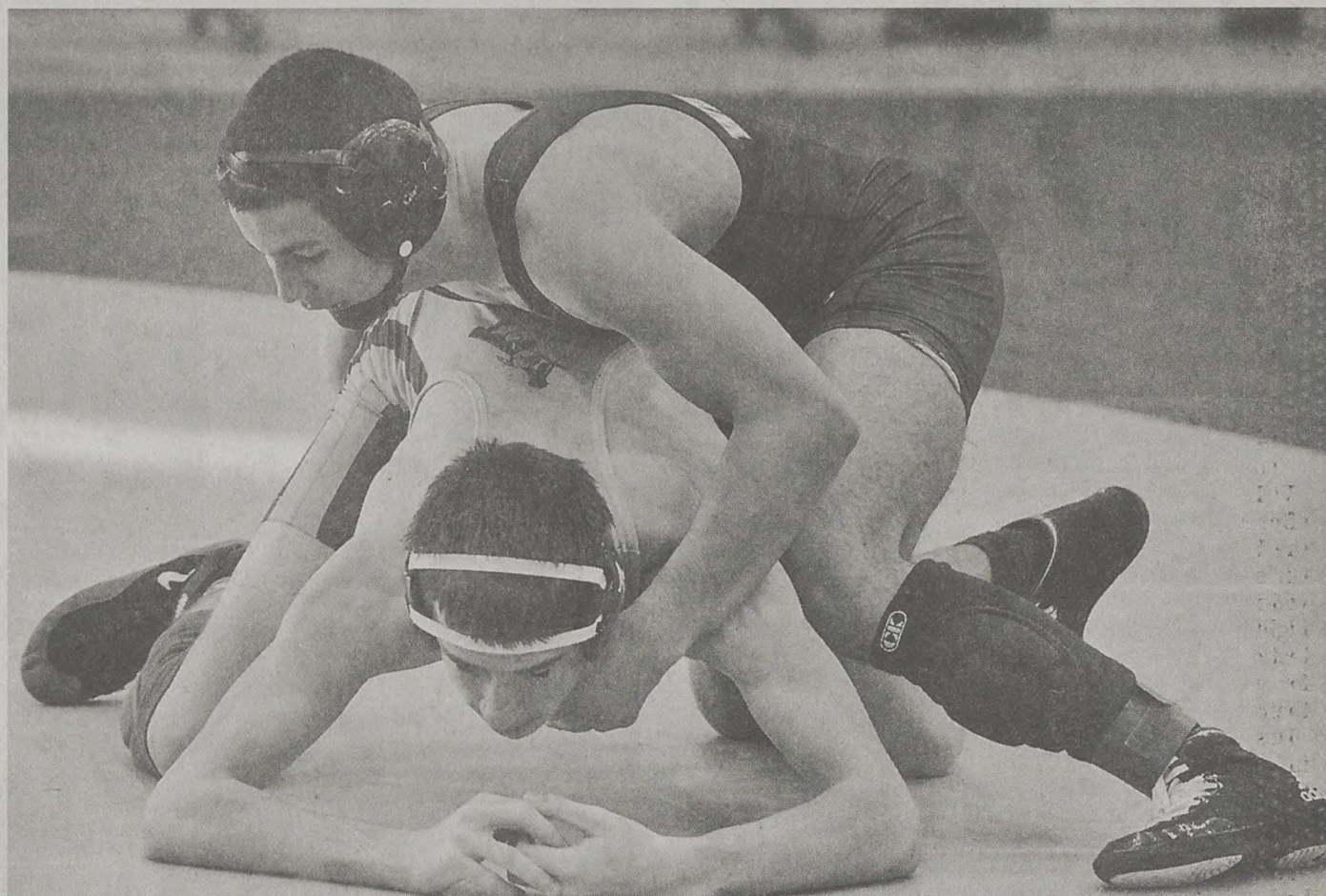
"Both of my matches went to their second periods, and I just didn't give up," Larffarello said. "I just kept fighting."

In the championship match, Larffarello stood against Mike Lima, also of Wakefield. Lima was considerably taller than Larffarello, but that did not daunt the Wilmington senior.

"Being short really helped (me)," Larffarello said. "I could get low and really stay on him. I'm comfortable on bottom, and that's how I rolled him, and there was nothing much he could do from there."

"He had the confidence to go out and stick with his game plan, and that was the most important thing for him," McKenna said. "It's a real confidence booster for him."

Larffarello has been wrestling for over three years, after being encouraged to join the team during his freshman year.



On Saturday, Wilmington High senior Fox Maxwell was crowned the 138-pound division champion at the Middlesex League Championship Meet held at Arlington High School. Earlier in the day he defeated his opponent from Arlington. (photo by JoeBrown.photo).

Maxwell comes back to where he belongs

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WAKEFIELD- It is hard to imagine dedication more intense than what Fox Maxwell brings to the wrestling mat.

Undeclared in his senior year, Maxwell handily defeated each of his opponents during Saturday's Liberty & Freedom Invitational Tournament at Wakefield High to take the number one spot in the 138-pound division.

Saturday's three victories improved Maxwell's season record to 15-0.

"Nothing too major, just had to keep my technique clean and keep focus," Maxwell said about his perfect day on the mat. "I had to try and limit my errors and execute perfection."

Maxwell defeated all of his opponents with pins, starting off defeating Framingham's Inigo Sanchez (1:28) before moving on to Reading's Darrin Driscoll (1:27).

In the championship match, Maxwell had an 8-0 lead ahead of Shane Grindel of Winchester before shut-

ting him down with a pin.

It is not the first time he has enjoyed such success on the mat. Last year saw Maxwell take the top spot in the Framingham tournament before finishing second in at the sectional meet before finishing third at the Division 3 state meet.

But Maxwell desired to do even better, dreaming of taking a state title for his own, and maybe even continuing further onwards. That goal took a hit when he briefly left Wilmington High School to attend school in Winchester during the early part of the year. Maxwell transferred back to Wilmington, only to then have the first part of his season curtailed by an injury.

Maxwell rallied and is currently enjoying an undefeated streak. That state title now seems well within reach and he is determined to do everything in his power to reach that goal.

"I want to win a state title before I graduate," Maxwell said. "That's my main goal and it's all I really focus on."

Maxwell first arrived at the high school as primarily a football player, but

wrestling soon became his sport of choice and his passion. For Maxwell, the sport's unique attributes of individual achievement were the perfect fit for his own drive.

"I love that it's self-motivating," he said. "You can improve yourself, even if the rest of the team is doing badly. The more you put in, the more you get out of it."

In his time with the team, Maxwell has developed intense discipline to keep up his level of achievement. The way he sees it, the sport demands that extra effort if an athlete is going to succeed.

"Every kid in the state has a two and a half hour practice every day," Maxwell said. "So if you want to be better than everybody else, you have to wake up in the morning and run five miles, then after practice you go lift and run more if you have to."

Maxwell attributes much of the success to his close bond with head coach Joel McKenna.

"He preaches perfection and he's taught me discipline," Maxwell said. "We're

wicked close, he's almost like an uncle to me."

For McKenna, that bond is indicative of the way that wrestling, while perhaps the most individual of sports, forms close familial relationships between the people who dedicate themselves to it.

"The sport builds family," McKenna said. "You get these kids in your life and they stick with you. I've known Fox since he was eight or nine years old and to see him now at this point of his life where he is experiencing that success and getting the job done academically, it's a huge thing to see."

Maxwell is not letting go of that dedication as the season enters its final weeks. He has his eye on the sectional tournament coming up soon, and he hopes to keep pushing all the way to a state title. With a commitment already in place to attend Iowa Lakes College and continue to wrestle, Maxwell hopes to get a degree in Education.



Wilmington High senior Lou Larffarello puts his opponent into a tough position to get out of during Saturday's Middlesex League Meet held at Wakefield High School. (photo by JoeBrown.photo).

Despite record, Lady 'Cats continue to battle

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WILMINGTON- An intense effort was not enough to lift the Wilmington High School Girls Hockey team over the visiting Melrose on Saturday night. The hard-fought contest concluded with a 4-2 loss for the Wildcats, bringing their season record to 1-13-1.

Despite the disappointment in losing, head coach Michael Gautreau was impressed by the level of play his team showcased, and how appreciably they had improved since their last game against Melrose.

"Last game, they scored seven goals on us," Gautreau said. "They didn't score seven goals on us tonight. Jamie Spinazola has definitely come up big for us this year. She's been playing very well and all the girls have been rallying around her."

Spinazola faced 29 shots on net throughout the game.

While the team's often seemed evenly matched, Wilmington's efforts were seriously hampered by a string of penalties. Beginning with Tia Woodard being sent to the box with 9:35 left in the first period, Wilmington had six penalties for the game, including a major in the closing seconds of the game.

The defensive efforts by Lauren D'Angelo, Danielle Silva, Olivia Wingate and Molly Foley helped kill these penalties as Melrose attacked with everything they had.

"It definitely hurt us," Gautreau said. "We don't have the depth, and it really tires out the girls."



The senior members of this year's WHS Girls Hockey team includes from left Jamie Spinazola and Cayman Hardy. (photo by JoeBrown.photo).

Melrose also had difficulty staying out of the box, with six penalties during the game. On two separate occasions, the Wildcats were presented with a 5-on-3 advantage. Both of Wilmington's goals occurred during power plays against a shorthanded Melrose.

Melrose notched their first goal with 6:23 left in the first, battering the net until finally flinging the puck past Spinazola while she was down. The lead increased to 2-0 when a shorthanded Wilmington could not stop a wrist shot from the blue from finding the back of the net.

A breakaway early in the third period gave Melrose a 3-0 advantage.

The Wildcats kept right on fighting, and with 6:01 remaining in the game, Olivia Wingate pushed the puck between the Melrose goalie's legs. The Wildcats closed the gap further when Danielle Silva battered the puck past the goalie with 2:42 remaining in the game, leaving Wilmington only one goal away tying it up.

Gautreau pulled Spinazola with 1:50 left in the game, and Melrose notched an empty net goal with only seconds remaining.

"We're just working on little things, like beating the girl to the puck," Gautreau said. "Don't let the other girl get to the puck first. Before the season, I think some of these girls were very timid, they would let the other girl get to the puck and then try to take it away from them."

Gautreau praised the energy and determination expressed by his team as they fought to keep putting the puck on net.

"The bottom line is, we don't have any all-stars on this team," he said. "The way we are going to win games is to get the puck to the net and crash the net. That's the only way we are going to get goals."

Wilmington has not had a win since their 6-3 win against Belmont on December 23. But with only five games remaining in the season, the Wildcats are still hitting the ice with energy and enthusiasm.

Bantam 2's get back into the win column

After ending a losing streak with a tie against Medfield the week before, the Wilmington Youth Hockey Association Bantam 2 team got back in the win column Saturday morning in a high scoring game against Natick.

Filling in at goalie was Dylan Bloom, with Shane Mercuri and Ryan Packer starting on defense. Up front, Max Shapiro centered Anthony Bowker and Cameron Banks.

From the drop of the puck, Wilmington took possession and rattled in the first goal of the game as Natick's goalie misplayed a loose puck in the slot and the Wildcats' Cameron Banks won the race to tap it in the open net.

After a Natick penalty, Wilmington cycled the puck in the offensive zone and late in the power play Ryan Packer's shot from the blue line found its way through a screen of players and into the back of the net.

In the second period, Banks scored his second of the game, catching up with a stretch pass and shooting it five hole on the Natick goalie. After Natick scored two quick goals to get back in contention, the second line of Jacob Fox centering Mark Miraglia and Evan Zonderman led the offense

back for Wilmington. Again rotating in the offensive zone, Ryan Packer sent a pass to Miraglia who had slipped behind the defense and fired a quick release shot over the blocker side.

Natick scored quickly to narrow the gap, but in another minute Anthony Bowker got on the board with shot from the right side as Natick's goalie tried to move side to side. Natick again responded quickly, and after killing off a pair of penalties managed to tie the score at five with just seconds remaining in the middle period.

Wilmington's third forward line of Joseph Hartzell, Colin Walsh and Brendan Kelley with Liam Prigmore and Harry Serounian as the second defensive pairing didn't make the score sheet, but helped keep the Natick attack at bay in the third period.

With all of the Wildcats keeping up the defensive work, the offense pulled away with four unanswered goals. Banks completed the hat trick cutting from right to left across the goal front and finding the opening as the goalie moved across as well. Evan Zonderman, taking a turn at forward, spun free along the boards and skipped in a backhand shot on the near side of the net. Max Shapiro picked up a rebound from Banks' wraparound attempt.

The scoring was completed when Anthony Bowker's surprise shot as he crossed the blue line caught Natick's goalie off stride.

With the 9-5 win, the Wildcats look to carry some momentum into the final stretch of the season.

Brendan Kelley, left, in action for the Wilmington Bantam 2 Youth Hockey team this past week. (courtesy photo)



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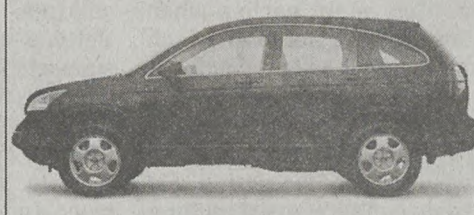
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Boys Hoop and Track also defeated

Granara helps lead hoop squad to third win of the season

By JAMIE POTE
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WILMINGTON - Bella Granara has always showed a lot of potential in basketball. She's very athletic, she can defend, she has a nice touch on her shots and she possesses real good speed.

On Thursday night, she showed all of those talents. The sophomore came off the bench and led Wilmington with 11 points in the team's 41-36 non-league victory over Methuen.

"Bella did a phenomenal job tonight," said head coach Brie Karow. "She stayed disciplined on defense. She is extremely talented and she has a lot of skill. She tries extra, extra hard and she wants it so much and so badly that I think it gets in her way sometimes. Anytime she goes out there she works her tail off, whether it's for thirty seconds or the full thirty-two minutes."

Wilmington improved to 3-11 on the season and Methuen fell to 4-8.

Granara's 11 points led the team but more importantly, the teams bench players combined for 23 of the team's 41 points, all coming after sophomore center Caroline Andersen got into foul trouble early. She picked up her second with 2:15 left in the first and sat out the rest of the half, only to pick up her third in the

first minute of the third quarter, while sitting out to the start of the fourth when she picked up her fourth on a terrible call. While she was sitting most of the night, sophomore forward Morgan Bresnahan played easily her best game this season filling in admirably. She ended the night with 7 points and 4 rebounds.

"We had a strong performance from Bresnahan," said Karow. "She did a real nice job on the boards, she was aggressive, she was taking quality shots and going to the hole."

Wilmington led 8-6 with 90 seconds left in the first quarter before going on a 9-0 run which extended to the second quarter behind a pair of baskets each from Bresnahan and Granara, including the latter hitting an open three-pointer. That gave the Wildcats a 17-17-6 lead but Methuen mounted a small comeback and trailed by 11 at halftime at 24-13.

The third quarter was very sloppy on both ends and Wilmington didn't score until 1:47 left as Granara converted on a nice pass from Christina Woods (8 points, 5 rebounds). After Methuen's Selina Deleon drained a three-pointer, Wilmington closed out the third quarter on a 6-0 run behind baskets from Dana Goulet, Woods and Granara making it 32-19.

The lead stayed in double

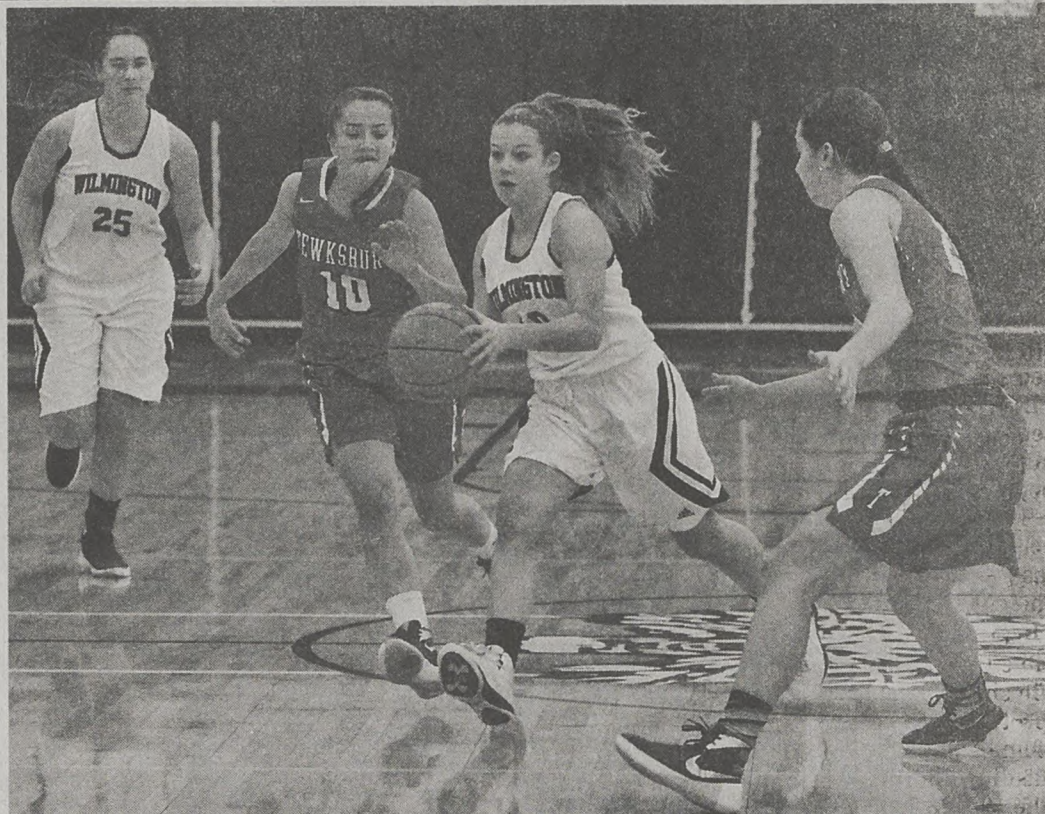
digits for most of the fourth quarter and after Haley DiLorenzo scored inside on a nice pass from Woods, the Wildcats led 38-26 with 5:05 to go. The teams exchanged baskets and Wilmington still had the 12-point lead with 3:47 left and that's when the team's inexperience started to show. The Wildcats were rushing shots, turning the ball over and not utilizing the shot clock.

"That's part of the learning process," said Karow. "When we yell for them to swing it, it means to swing the ball around the perimeter (and waste time off the shot clock) and we didn't do that well tonight and it's just all part of the learning process."

Methuen answered with an 8-0 run, while missing three free throws and a number of other shots, to close the gap to 40-36 with ten seconds left before DiLorenzo converted one of two free throws with five seconds left to officially seal the win. Karow said that before the team started to panic in the final few minutes, she thought for the most part they played a strong all-around game.

"We had down moments with turnovers, but at least we were composed when we made those turnovers. We also had composure when we got the ball back (causing turnovers)," she said.

On Friday, Wilmington was defeated by Melrose 64-53.



Wilmington High senior guard Kaila Bavin tries to split Tewksbury defenders Emily Velozo and Molly Robertson during an earlier season game. (photo by Joe Brown photo)

Caroline Andersen led the way with 14 points while Haley DiLorenzo was also in double figures with 11.

On Tuesday, the Wildcats fell to 3-13 overall as Wakefield edged out a 42-39 win. Christina Woods had a big night with 20 points and Granara chipped in with seven.

Wilmington will host Watertown on Friday, before traveling to Stoneham on Tuesday. Then on Wednesday, the team will travel to Tewksbury as that game has been moved up from its February 16th date.

BOYS HOOP

The Wildcats were defeated by Melrose, 67-30, on

Friday night. Matt Woods and Steve Bonish led the way with seven points each. On Tuesday, Wilmington went to 0-16 on the season with a 53-30 loss to Wakefield, the same team that the Wildcats lost to in overtime earlier this season. Matt Spurr led the way with 11 points.

The 'Cats will host Watertown on Friday before traveling to Stoneham on Tuesday.

BOYS TRACK

On Monday night, the Wilmington High School Boys Indoor Track-and-Field team finished its regular season with a 56-21 loss to Burlington at the Reggie

Lewis Center in Roxbury.

The Wildcats finished 2-3 and now will compete in the league championship on Saturday back at the RLC at 1:30.

Scoring for Wilmington in this meet included first places from Justin Ekstrom in the 600 (1:32.23), Brad Aldrich in the 55-meter dash (7.05) and the 4x400 relay team of David Bell, Ekstrom, Steve Godfrey and Ray Russell who came in at 3:53.95, a second place from Devin Langenfeld in the hurdles (9.08) and third places from Jesse Valente in the mile (5:07.94), Godfrey in the 300 (39.75) and Kyle Nelson in the shot put (41.04).

Ed Dick certainly enjoyed all things Tewksbury

By RICK COOKE
Sports Correspondent

Ed Dick cared. He cared a lot. It's often the case that when someone like Ed Dick passes away, there are so many things about the person that you learn in death that you never really knew about in life. Ed never talked about himself. He wanted to know everything about you. How was your day going and what plans did you have for your future? None of this was lip service. The man was real and genuine to the core from that firm handshake to the eyes that looked at you directly and honestly. He really cared about people. He was real and I loved every minute that I got to spend with Ed Dick.

When I got the news that Ed had passed away early Saturday morning, my first thought was what a fun-loving man he was, but then I read his obituary and I finally learned all that I had been missing over the many years that I knew Ed Dick.

He was married to his high school sweetheart Betty for almost 52 years and had made Tewksbury his home for another 40 years after being born and raised in the Belvidere section of Lowell. He graduated from Lowell High School in 1960. He wrote sports for the Lowell Sun and covered the Boston Celtics while still attending Burdett College.

Ed was also the son-in-law of the late, great Lowell High School football coach Ray Riddick. He was a Tewksbury selectman and served four terms totaling 12 years on the school committee. Mr. Dick was also a board member on the Redmen Football Club for 35 years, serving as a trustee and treasurer.

That list included just three factoids that I clearly and completely knew about - the Riddick connection, the years with the Redmen Football Club and the time spent on the school committee. But I can't honestly say that I got those bits of information from Ed.

In the hundreds of conversations that we had over many years, try as I might, I could never get the man to talk about himself. Even when I noticed that he had lost a lot of weight and was battling back illness for many years, he always would beat me to the punch and ask me how my health

was. I'm somewhat ashamed to say that I didn't press Ed as to how he was feeling. Maybe it was the smile and the handshake that short-circuited my reporter's instinct. The notebook and tape recorder always seemed to get put away when Mr. Dick and I would meet for a conversation. No matter how long or short the chat was, the man always left me feeling better about myself.

One thing was never in doubt. I never had to ask the question about how much Ed Dick loved Tewksbury. His actions always spoke louder than any words. I found myself asking one of his best friends to fill in the blanks regarding the life of this wonderful man. What I learned didn't surprise me. Ed Dick was special in so many ways. I left it to someone who knew him well to honor him here.

"He was my friend - Ed Dick was a great man," offered former Tewksbury High School football coach, Athletic Director and Principal Bob Aylward late Saturday afternoon. "He was always there for the kids of Tewksbury. He was fiscally conservative and could be brutally honest, but there was nothing that he wouldn't do for the kids of Tewksbury."

Aylward went on to mention that it was Dick who jump-started the Redmen Football Club financially with raffles, working tirelessly for not only the football program but other sports as well. Dick never played football, but he loved the band and could usually be found working the crowd from the TMHS football concession stand.

When I returned to cover TMHS Football for the Town Crier, I made sure that I found Mr. Dick at halftime. I wasn't interested in that hot dog or slice of cold pizza. What I wanted was that quick chat with the man I had grown to admire. He was easy to spot. Tanned and laughing, joking with his friends and talking up Redmen football. "How are you Rick?" - I loved the story in last week's paper. I knew that Ed wasn't just whistling some verbal Dixie to pass the time of day before the game resumed. He meant every word. He shook my hand and showed me that he legitimately cared about me. Those are

qualities that can't be manufactured or faked, maybe with some people, but never with Ed Dick. He was self-effacing, pragmatic and honest.

According to his friend Bob Aylward, Dick was someone you could bounce ideas off. He was an idea man all the way. If there was a solution to a particular problem, Ed would bust his butt to get at the answer. He would find a way. A big part of the Ed Dick way was to make Tewksbury kids feel like they were family.

"Mr. Dick was my dad," remembers Bob Briggs, a 1986 TMHS graduate. "Well, not really, but that is exactly how I felt every single time that I saw him. He always made me feel like he was so excited to see me. He had the biggest smile and the firmest handshake, and he had a look right into your eyes that was so authentic. He genuinely was happy to see everyone growing up playing basketball at Tewksbury High School with his sons Brian and Barry."

"Mr. Dick was cheering on every kid on the floor like they were his own. If I had two words to sum up my feelings for Ed, they would be ultimate and respect. He will be missed by so many."

TMHS Football Coach Brian Aylward remembered that Ed Dick taught him many things over Aylward's years as an athlete, teacher and coach at the high school.

"I am sick over the loss of Eddie Dick," offered Brian Aylward. "He was such a great friend and mentor to me. I have many fond memories of the times I spent with him. It would be hard for me to pick one in particular, so I will always remember the consistent, loyal support and friendship he showed for the Tewksbury Redmen, the Tewksbury schools and to me personally. Eddie Dick has been one of the strongest influences on me in my role as the coach of the football team. He did so much for our program. He never looked for any credit, but worked tirelessly to make sure that any kid that has gone through our program had the resources to be successful."

"After a big win, I would always get a heartfelt voice message from him, and I would get a personal visit from Eddie after a tough

loss. I will always remember those visits and conversations. He would always encourage me to press on and stay focused on the important life lessons of football. He was a true supporter of Redmen Football and the one person that I never wanted to disappoint. It was a privilege for me to have called him my friend. He was a great guy. He will be missed."

One part of Mr. Dick's life that I was glad that I knew something about was his sense of humor. He loved to surprise his friends with a quip, and his laugh was infectious. One of my favorite memories was Bob Aylward's retirement celebration when Ed managed to find a column that I had written years earlier when Tewksbury's football coach was leaving to coach at Nashua High School.

Aylward would eventually return to Tewksbury, but when he finally retired, Ed Dick couldn't resist pulling a fast one by finding a Town Crier column that I thought had been lost in the archives

forever.

"Hey coach, remember this? How many more times are we going to do this?" Ed asked as the crowd roared with laughter and I looked on, amazed that he had the newspaper clipping perfectly preserved as he held it over his head at the podium. His exact words escape me at the moment, but Ed let everyone in the room know that we all had been here honoring his friend when he left Tewksbury the first time, and here we all were again.

I wasn't quite finished learning a lot more about the life of one Ed Dick. He loved to play golf and he loved his sons Brian, Barry and Christopher. He loved his sister and his ten grandchildren. He loved his wife Betty, a woman who quietly supported him every step of the way. He loved to spend his winters in Naples, Florida and he even had a favorite spot down by the pier. And boy did he ever love to wear that Tewksbury Red. Sometimes he would show up at games bathed in

TMHS Red. I remember a red sweater that looked like it just might glow red in the dark.

A friend told me that he tried to speak with Ed before he passed away, but unfortunately he never got that one last chance to talk. That same friend told me that Ed was tired, that he knew that it was time to be home in Tewksbury, surrounded by family and wrapped in the warm emotional embrace of a town, the coaches, teachers and student-athletes.

Football halftimes at that concession stand will never be the same. I will miss that smile, that hello and especially that firm handshake. It all was so genuine and real. Ed Dick leaves behind a legacy of love and respect. I'm glad that I got this chance to really honor Ed Dick, a lover of all things Tewksbury, one last time.

(Comments regarding this article can be sent to rcooke1717@yahoo.com)



Longtime Tewksbury supporter Ed Dick (third from left) passed away this past week. Here he is with his three sons from left, Chris, Brian and Barry from a previous event.

(courtesy photo)

Meet and championship title came down to relay team

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she handed the baton off to sophomore newcomer Luna, who quickly shot out to a much larger lead with a blazing first lap. She got tired in the second lap, but still ran a very impressive 62 second split.

Luna said that during that second lap, it was all adrenaline which kept her tired body going.

"I just ran as fast as I could. I just tried to push as fast and as hard as I could," she said.

Luna gave Olson a comfortable lead. Olson, who earlier finished first in the mile, pretty much followed the same way. She went out very fast in the first lap to stretch the lead even further, before slowing down a bit in the second lap.

"I just kept on thinking that we could be league champs and I wanted to do everything I could to help make that happen," she said. "I tried to keep going. I wasn't really happy with my mile race so I wanted to

make up for it. I thought I had more left (in me) to help us win it but I really had to push myself. I don't even know what my split was, but I'm really happy that we won (the relay and the league championship)."

While Pitzzi, Luna and Olson had given the team a very strong lead, Gake stood waiting for her turn. She didn't want to over think anything - just get a good hand-off, run like you can and finish it off. She nailed down those three requirements perfectly.

"I knew that we had a good lead but I wanted to make sure that I ran a good split myself," she said before being asked about the hand-offs. "Usually we are pretty good with our hand-offs, but I'll admit that one was a little stressful."

She added that while she had the big lead, the support she heard from her loud teammates in the stands certainly gave her a huge boost.



The winning 4x400 relay team includes from left Elisabeth Olson, Samantha Pitzzi, Julia Gake and Alexcia Luna.

(courtesy photo)

"I heard everyone yelling in support and it's so great to hear them all. It definitely helps you," she said. The four girls finished

almost 13 seconds ahead of Burlington's 4:31.72 time. That was more than enough to have the entire girls celebrate with the program's

first ever league championship title. Sophomore Alison Sullivan made sure that she found a way into this story saying "Julia

Gake is my hero" but truth be told, it was a heroic performance by the entire four girls and more importantly by the entire WHS team.

In dramatic fashion, girls make school history

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more importantly the league title.

"This is awesome," said head coach Brian Schell, who certainly was emotional and fired-up throughout the entire meet. "To have the league championship come down to the 4x400 relay is what it's all about."

"Today was just such a collective effort from everyone. We had to take eight kids and move them around to a different event and those kids not only placed in those events but they really stepped up for the team. They all put their individual goals and accomplishments aside for the good of the team, and that really paid off."

The meet would not have come down to the 4x400

relay had it not been for three individuals, who just before came away with five huge points. Senior captain Anna De la Cruz put forth a tremendous kick on the final straightaway to surpass her Burlington opponent to take a huge second place in the two mile with a time of 13:47.38.

"It was really tough but I really couldn't feel anything," said De la Cruz about the final stretch. "I could kind of tell how close we were but all I thought about was making sure I finished ahead of her."

She did, and at that time Wilmington led by three points with three events to go. The 55-meter dash followed and Luna and Dorothea Alberti finished

first and third at 7.75 and 8.30 seconds to put the Wildcats up by six points at 39-33.

The shot put came next and Moesha Beray came through with an unexpected third place finish, throwing 28 feet to steal a huge point, while Burlington added eight points to take that 41-40 lead.

"Anna's kick in that two mile really saved the meet for us at that time," said Schell. "If she didn't get third place, we could not have won the meet. Basically at the time of the meet, she saved it for us by that final kick."

"With her scoring, it gave us a chance to win the meet here in the 4x400 relay. We also got a huge third place

from Alberti in the dash and Beray in the shot put. Those three place finishes really pushed us."

The meet started out very strong for Wilmington as the 'Cats dominated the running events. Olson (5:48.14), Emma Garrity (6:08.53) and Ashlyn Finn (6:09.58) swept the mile. Pitzzi followed with a first place finish in the 1,000 at 3:26.34 and was followed by Alyssa Bernazani, who was third at 3:26.56 putting Wilmington ahead 17-1 after two events.

Gake (1:41.61) and Madison Knibbs (1:54.21) finished first and third in the 600, and Victoria Sheehan (45.74) and Shannon Horgan (48.30) did the same in the 300. The other place finisher came

from Danielle Baldi, who was third in the 55-meter hurdles at 10.67 seconds.

"For the program itself this really shows that these girls have really worked so hard for this," said Schell, a 2004 WHS graduate and former cross-country and track runner himself. "Their work ethic is really unimaginable. For the team to be 5-0 and to be league champs the way we did it is just incredible. This team is just so dedicated. By far these girls are the most dedicated group I have ever coached. Their hard work paid off today and this is just truly awesome."

"As a coach, this means so much because these kids trusted me, they trusted my training methods, my efforts

and their efforts came through and they trusted me to put them in the right positions to succeed and nothing means more to me as a coach than to get the trust out of the athletes and I just can't say how much that means to me right now."

And those emotions certainly carried over to the team, and one of its captains. "I am just really happy for the entire team and to be a part of this," said De la Cruz, who joins Olson, Pitzzi and Gake as the four captains. "We have all worked so hard. Everyone put in such great efforts and I'm just really glad that we won (the league championship)."



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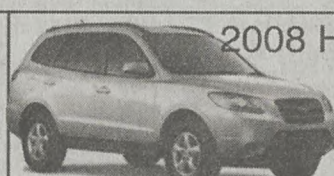
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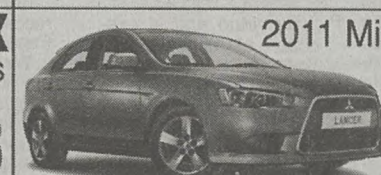
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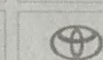
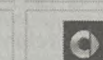
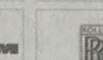
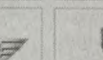
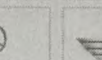
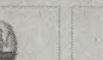
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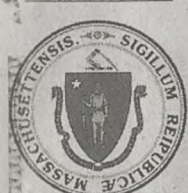


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CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

Docket No. M16P0441EA

Estate of:
Audrey E. Vieira
Also Known As:
Audrey Vieira
Date of Death:
November 26, 2015

To all interested persons:

A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Lisa Vieira of Coventry RI and Christine Vieira-Trant of Billerica MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: Lisa Vieira of Coventry RI and Christine Vieira-Trant of Billerica MA be appointed as the Personal Representative(s) of the estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in an unsupervised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of February 24, 2016.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and

objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS, Hon. Edward F. Donnelly, Jr., First Justice of this Court.
Date: January 27, 2016
Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
160143 2/3/16

LEGAL NOTICE



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

LAND COURT
DEPARTMENT OF
THE TRIAL COURT

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ORDER OF NOTICE

TO:
The Heirs, Devisees,
and Legal Representatives
of the Estate of
Marcia E. Spinelli
David Spinelli

James G. Spinelli, Jr., and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. App. §501 et seq.:
The Bank of New York Mellon, f/k/a The Bank of New York, as Trustee for the Certificate Holders of CWMBS, Inc. Alternative Loan Trust 2003-18CB Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2003-45

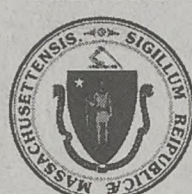
claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Wilmington, numbered 6 Coolidge Road, given by Marcia E. Spinelli to "MERS", Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., a separate corporation that is acting solely as nominee for "Lender", Countrywide Home Loans, Inc. and its successors and assigns, dated July 14, 2003, and recorded at Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 15735, Page 231, and now held by the Plaintiff by assignment, has filed with this Court a complaint for determination of Defendants' Servicemembers status.

If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108 on or before February 29, 2016 or you will be forever barred from claiming that you are entitled to the benefits of said Act.

Witness, JUDITH C. CUTLER Chief Justice of this Court on January 12, 2016.

Attest:
Deborah J. Patterson
Recorder
2/3/16
160117

LEGAL NOTICE



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

LAND COURT
DEPARTMENT OF
THE TRIAL COURT

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ORDER OF NOTICE

TO:
Ralph Lentz
and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. App. §501 et seq.:
Residential Credit Solutions

claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Tewksbury, numbered 428 Pleasant Street given by Ralph Lentz to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Homecomings Financial Network, Inc., its successors and assigns, dated August 17, 2006, and recorded with the Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 20415, Page 262, and now held by plaintiff by assignment, has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/Defendants' Servicemembers status.

If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108 on or before February 29, 2016 or you will be forever barred from claiming that you are entitled to the benefits of said Act.

Witness, JUDITH C. CUTLER Chief Justice of this Court on January 12, 2016.

Attest:
Deborah J. Patterson
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LEGAL NOTICE



TOWN OF TEWKSBURY BOARD OF HEALTH

PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Board of Health will hold a public hearing on February 18, 2016 at 6:00 PM at Town Hall, 1009 Main Street, Small Meeting Room, Tewksbury, MA requested by Brenda Wong for Wei Yei Sushi located at 1900 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA for a variance of 105 CMR 590.000 Minimum Sanitation Standards for Food Establishments State Sanitary Code Article X and the Federal Food Code section 3-502.11. At that time, all interested parties will be heard. Copies of the proposal are available at the Board of Health Office.

Raymond Barry,
Chairman
160136 2/3/10/16

LEGAL NOTICE

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Hubert R. Zeller to Salem Five Mortgage Company, LLC dated August 12, 2011 and recorded with the Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds, in Book 25168, Page 82, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at Public Auction at 10:00 AM, on February 10, 2016, on the premises known as 10 Dadant Drive, Wilmington, Massachusetts, the premises described in said mortgage, together with all the rights, easements, and appurtenances thereto, to wit: The land with the buildings thereon situated in said Wilmington and being shown as Lot 1 on a plan of land belonging to Thomas J. Madden, et ux, dated February, 1993, by Robert E. Anderson, Registered Land Surveyor.

Said plan is recorded in the North Middlesex District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 98,

Wilmington Travel Hoop League hosting 'A Night Out' on Feb. 6

The Wilmington Boys Travel Basketball (WBTB) program will be hosting "A Night Out" on February 6th to benefit the boys travel basketball program. The event will take place at the Wilmington/Tewksbury Elks Lodge, located at 777 South Street, Tewksbury. Doors will be open at 8:00 pm.

The proceeds of the event are going to be used to cover WBTB's end of season banquet for all of the boys, as well as to help lower future costs to WBTB families.

The Headliner for the night will be a local band made up of Wilmington's own, Chip Abbott, and his band "Bed by Nine". The band features classic rock music and will keep the place going long past 9pm.

Along with rockin' live music

and dancing, the night will feature some fantastic raffles. Donated by parents and local businesses, some of the big night's raffles will include, Signed Sports Memorabilia, Merrimack Valley Pavilion, Boston Celtics Tickets, and a WBTB scholarship. If your business would like to help support WBTB, please contact Jessica Kulevich at 978-604-9570 or jkulevich@hotmail.com.

Tickets for the event can be purchased at the door for \$20.00. For discounted advance tickets, please go to www.wilmbtb.org or stop by Wilmington High School any Sunday between 12-6 pm at WBTB's Snack Table. Discounted tickets are \$15.00 per person or \$25.00 per couple. Tables of ten can be reserved as well.

Larffarello pins down milestone

FROM PAGE SP4W

Larffarello enjoys the individual demands of wrestling, where all success and failures are determined by your efforts and training, and how much of that intelligence and intensity you bring to the mat.

"Six minutes is a lot longer than it seems, I can tell you that," Larffarello said. "You have to work hard in the practice room to keep it up."

Larffarello is still weighing his options for next year. He has a few offers for college wrestling and is hoping for an opportunity to also play football. He intends to study fields like nursing or possibly athletic training.

But for the moment, he is focused on finishing his senior year out strong.

"I'm just hoping to have fun," he said. "Have fun, and keep improving at the sport I am passionate about."



LEGAL NOTICE



TOWN OF TEWKSBURY PLANNING BOARD

PUBLIC HEARING

SIGN SPECIAL PERMIT

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Planning Board will hold a public hearing on February 22, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. in the Tewksbury Town Hall, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by Metro Sign & Awning for CCI-B Tewksbury, LLC for a Sign Special Permit to construct a free standing monument sign at the entry to the Innovation Drive business park measuring 210' x 77' as shown on plans filed with this Board.

Said property is located at 836 North Street, Assessor's Map 52, Lot 1, zoned Heavy Industrial/Office Research. The application may be examined in the Community Development Department, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA (978-640-4370 x248). Monday thru Friday 7:30 am - 4:30 pm.

Stephen Johnson,
Chair
160119 2/3/10/16

LEGAL NOTICE



TOWN OF TEWKSBURY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

INVITATION TO BID

Mowing & Trimming Lawn Areas

Sealed bids for MOWING AND TRIMMING LAWN AREAS. Contract PW-16-05, will be received by the Town of Tewksbury at their Department of Public Works office, 999 Whipple Road, Tewksbury, MA 01876, until 11:30 A.M. on Friday March 25, 2016. Contract Documents are available for examination at the Department of Public Works, 999 Whipple Road, Tewksbury, MA 01876 Monday through Friday 8:00 A.M. through 4:00 P.M. Free downloadable bid sets are also available after February 4, 2016, after 10:30 A.M. by going to www.projectdog.com and entering project code 810610.

A pre-Bid conference will be held at the Department of Public Works office, 999 Whipple Road, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on Friday March 11, 2016, at 11:00am. The Town Manager in his sole judgement has the right to accept or reject all bids deemed in the best interest of the Town.

By: Brian Gilbert
Superintendent of
Public Works

For:
Richard A. Montuori
Town Manager
160140 2/3/16

LEGAL NOTICE



TOWN OF WILMINGTON WATER & SEWER COMMISSION

PUBLIC HEARING

The Water & Sewer Commission will hold a Public Hearing during their regularly scheduled monthly meeting on February 18, 2016 at 5:30 PM in Room 9 of the Town Hall, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA to consider the proposed water & sewer rate increase.

Any person interested should appear at the time and place designated.

Joseph Lobao
Business &
Utility Manager
160139 2/3/10/16

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

INVITATION TO BID

Hydrant Replacement Contract No. PW-16-06

Sealed Bids for Contract No. PW-14-09-HYDRANT REPLACEMENT (the "Work") will be received by the Town of Tewksbury at the Department of Public Works office, 999 Whipple Road, Tewksbury, MA 01876, until 10:00 AM on March 10, 2016. Contract Documents are available after 10:30 a.m. local time on Thursday, February 4, 2016 by going to www.projectdog.com, entering Project Code 810620 in the project locator box. No monetary deposit is required to obtain the documents. Contract Documents may also be examined, but not obtained, at the DPW office during the following hours: 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

Each Bid shall be submitted in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders and shall be accompanied by a Bid Bond in the amount of 5 percent of the bid. The bidding and Award of this Contract will be under the provisions of M.G.L. c. 30, §39M and is subject to Prevailing Wages. The Town reserves the right, in its absolute and sole discretion, to waive any informality in or to reject any or all Bids if deemed to be in its best interest.

By: Brian Gilbert
Superintendent of
Public Works

For:
Richard A. Montuori
Town Manager
160157 2/3/16

LEGAL NOTICE

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Charles Quinton to Washington Mutual Bank, FA, dated September 30, 1999 and recorded at Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 10439, Page 226 of which mortgage The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. f/k/a The Bank of New York Trust Company, N.A., as successor-in-interest to JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as Trustee, Pooling and Servicing Agreement Dated as of June 1, 2006 Mortgage Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates Series 2006-RP3 is the present holder by assignment from Washington Mutual Bank, FA to Homecomings Financial Network, Inc. dated February 14, 2005 recorded at Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 19277, Page 35; assignment from Homecomings Financial Network, Inc. to The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. as successor to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. as Trustee for Mortgage Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates Series 2006-RP3 dated July 30, 2010 recorded at Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 24340, Page 259; and assignment from The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. as successor to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. as Trustee for Mortgage Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates Series 2006-RP3 to the Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. f/k/a The Bank of New York Trust Company, N.A., as successor-in-interest to JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as Trustee, Pooling and Servicing Agreement Dated as of June 1, 2006 Mortgage Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates Series 2006-RP3 dated November 12, 2012 re-

corded at Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 26887, Page 70, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the mortgage premises located at 2 Summer Street, Wilmington, MA 01887 will be sold at a Public Auction at 1:00PM on March 8, 2016, at the mortgaged premises, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

That certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon situated in Wilmington, Middlesex County, Massachusetts and shown as Lot 1A on a plan entitled "Plan of Land, Wilmington, Mass. Prepared for Larry Walsh, Scale: 1" = 40', Dated: July 1, 1999, Troy, Mede & Associates, 936 East St., Tewksbury, MA", which said plan is recorded with the Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds herewith, and said Lot 1A is more particularly bounded and described according to said plan as follows:

SOUTHWESTERLY by Summer Street, as shown on said plan, 463.06 feet to a point, thence along a curve, as shown on said plan, a distance of 33.41 feet;

NORTHWESTERLY by Parcel A, as shown on said plan, on three courses, measuring 30.00 feet, 15.47 feet and 124.54 feet, respectively;

NORTHEASTERLY by Lot 1B, as shown on said plan, 216.65 feet to a point, thence by Parcel B, as shown on said plan, 179.43 feet; and **SOUTHEASTERLY** by Cobalt Street, as shown on said plan, 120.77 feet.

Said Lot 1A Containing 68,573 square feet of land according to said plan.

The premises is more particularly described in the Deed recorded at Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 10439, Page 224, to wit:

A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon shown as Lot 1A on a plan of land entitled: Plan of Land, Wilmington, Mass. Prepared for Larry Walsh, Scale: 1"=40', Dated: July 01, 1999, Troy, Mede &

Associates, 936 East Street, Tewksbury, MA", which said plan is recorded with the Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds herewith and said Lot 1A is more particularly described as follows:

THENCE: NORTH 52-39' -16" East, by Parcel A, a distance of thirty and 00/100 feet (30.00) to a point.

THENCE: NORTH 12-19' -56" East, by Parcel A, a distance of fifteen and 47/100 feet (15.47) to a point.

THENCE: NORTH 50-14' -56" East, by Parcel A, a distance of one hundred twenty four and 54/100 feet (124.54) to a point.

THENCE: SOUTH 76-52' -05" East, by Lot 1B, a distance of two hundred sixteen and 65/100 (216.65) to a point.

THENCE: SOUTH 63-35' -00" East, by Parcel B, a distance of one hundred seventy nine and 43/100 feet (179.43) to Colbalt Street

THENCE: SOUTH 13-07' -55" West, along Colbalt Street, a distance of one hundred twenty and 77/100 feet (120.77) to Summer Street

THENCE: NORTH 76-52' -05" West, along Summer Street, a distance of four hundred sixty three and 06/100 feet (463.06) to a point.

THENCE: along Summer Street, along a curve to the left having a radius of fifty and 00/100 feet (50.00) and a length of thirty three and 41/100 feet (33.41) to the point of beginning

Said parcel shown as Lot 1A containing 68,573 square feet more or less.

Being a portion to the premises described in a deed of Chester H. Hall, Jr. to the grantor dated September 10, 1998 and recorded with said Registry of Deeds in Book 9549, Page 112.

For mortgagor's title see deed recorded with the Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 10439, Page 224.

The property will be sold subject to redemption rights in favor of the Internal Revenue Service by virtue of the

lien(s) recorded in Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 23859, Page 278, and in said Registry of Deeds in Book 24958, Page 112.

The premises will be sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes and other municipal assessments and liens, and subject to prior liens or other enforceable encumbrances of record entitled to precedence over this mortgage, and subject to and with the restrictions, reservations and conditions of record and subject to all tenancies and/or rights of parties in possession.

Terms of the Sale: Cash, cashier's or certified check in the sum of \$5,000.00 as a deposit must be shown at the time and place of the sale in order to qualify as a bidder (the mortgage holder and its designee(s) are exempt from this requirement); high bidder to sign written Memorandum of Sale upon acceptance of bid; balance of purchase price payable in cash or by certified check in thirty (30) days from the date of the sale at the offices of mortgagee's attorney, Korde & Associates, P.C., 321 Billerica Road, Suite 210, Chelmsford, MA 01824-4100 or such other time as may be designated by mortgagee. The description for the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. f/k/a The Bank of New York Trust Company, N.A., as successor-in-interest to JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as Trustee, Pooling and Servicing Agreement Dated as of June 1, 2006 Mortgage Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates Series 2006-RP3 Korde & Associates, P.C., 321 Billerica Road, Suite 210, Chelmsford, MA 01824-4100 (978) 256-1500, Quinton, Charles, 12-009722, February 3, 2016, February 10, 2016, February 17, 2016 160141 2/3/10/17/16

College Round-Up/Around the Web Woods, Brent Sisters shine on the court

By MIKE IPPOLITO
Sports Correspondent

Starting with basketball, Wheelock College junior forward Michelle Woods has not missed a beat since becoming the all-time leading scorer at Wheelock a couple of weeks back. This past week, Woods scored a game high 17 points, while grabbing 18 rebounds in a 64-32 win over Becker College on Thursday night, and followed that up with a game high 22 points and nine rebounds on Saturday night in a 69-58 win over Bay Path College.

Framingham State senior guard Tim McCarthy had four points, two steals and a rebound for the Rams in their 64-54 loss to Salem State on Saturday night. It was a bit of an off night for the sharp shooting senior, who is averaging a team high 10.5 points per game on the season.

Springfield College sophomore Christa Brent played 11 minutes, scoring two points, while adding two assists, one rebound and one steal for the Pride in a hard fought 66-62 loss to

Milwaukee Admirals on Saturday night as part of the Admirals 7-3 rout of Grand Rapids. Pendenza, a forward, now has three goals on the season, while the Admirals, the AHL affiliate of the Nashville Predators, are 27-13-3 on the season.

Tewksbury's Pat Cullity has now played nine games as a defenseman for the AHL's Bridgeport Sound Tigers since being recalled from the ECHL on January 4. The Tigers have won four straight games heading into the AHL All-Star break and currently have a 23-19-2 record on the season.

Tewksbury's Conner Sodergren a forward with the West Kelowna Warriors of the Junior A British Columbia Hockey League, scored a goal in the Warriors 7-1 win over Cowichan Valley last Friday night. Sodergren now has eight goals and 16 assists on the season for a total of 24 points on the season.

ROAD RACES

Many local runners took to the streets of Tewksbury for the Fudgecicle 5K Series on Saturday

William Tammaro of Wilmington was the top overall local finisher, finishing sixth overall, crossing the finish line in a time of 19:58. Other Wilmington finishers included Simonetta Piergenti (10th, 20:53), Joe Andella (22nd, 22:50), Mark Blaisdell (23rd, 23:34), Netant Misri (29th, 23:53), Jody Brown (45th, 25:06), Kevin Nazzaro (49th, 25:35), Marcos Rodriguez (51st, 25:40), Stephanie Rice (55th, 25:53), Janelle Anderson (68th, 27:09) and Marian Sales (75th, 27:53).

Trish Bourne was the top Tewksbury finisher, coming in 12th overall in a time of 21:39. Other Tewksbury finishers included Mike Hurton (25th, 23:38), Kristy Bouchie (27th, 23:50), Rich Belmonte (33rd, 24:04), Fil Faria (41st, 24:56), Marli Piccolo (44th, 25:00), Angie Anderson (53rd, 25:51), Kathy Kakleas (57th, 25:56), Diane Grove (58th, 26:08), Lisa Broderick (59th, 26:11), Cameron Gondola (60th, 26:12), Pam Gondola (62nd, 26:17), Maureen Melanson (70th, 27:31), John Gondola (77th, 28:01), Kim Oanlon (81st, 28:37), Jen King (83rd, 28:50), Jenn Malizia (86th, 29:45), Annemarie Veits (92nd, 30:22), Nancy Sands (93rd, 30:26), Kara Sands (94th, 30:27), Rita Labella (99th, 31:27), Jenn Pestana (100th, 31:37), Barry Lewin (104th, 33:00), Maureen Ruscio (114th, 35:54) and Denise Illsley (128th, 47:47).

PRO HOCKEY

Wilmington's Joe Pendenza had a goal and an assist for the AHL's

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